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NOTICE.

THE GREAT EASTERN AND CALEDONIAN GOLD MINING Co., LIMITED.

THE GENERAL AGENCY of this COMPANY has THIS DAY been TRANSFERRED to Messrs. LUTGENS, EINSTMANN & Co., Successors in Business of Messrs. SCHEELE & Co.

R. CHATTERTON WILCOX, *Chairman.*

Hongkong, August 25, 1897. 1706

NOTICE.

WE Have THIS DAY Established Ourselves as GENERAL MERCHANTS and COMMISSION AGENTS.

Mr. G. ATZENROTH will SIGN the FIRM, and Mr. L. LAMBOTTE has been Authorised to Sign per Procuration.

LUTGENS, EINSTMANN & Co.

Hongkong, August 25, 1897. 1705

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned have AGREED to LIQUIDATE the FIRM hitherto existing under the Style of

SCHEELE & CO.

and have nominated Mr GUSTAV ATZENROTH of Hongkong, and Mr RICHARD ABESSER of Hamburg, to act as LIQUIDATORS, either of whom is authorised to Sign SCHEELE & Co. in LIQUIDATION, adding his name.

ALFRED SCHEELE.
RICHARD ABESSER.
GUSTAV ATZENROTH.

Hongkong, August 25, 1897. 1704

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned beg to Notify their Customers that owing to the greatly increased cost of FLOUR, the PRICE of BREAD will be Raised from SEVEN to EIGHT CENTS per ℔. from the 1st PROX.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., *General Managers,*
HONGKONG AND CHINA BAKERY Co., LD.

Hongkong, August 24, 1897. 1696

HONGKONG BAKERY.

MR. DORABJEE NOWROJEE, Proprietor, begs to Notify his Customers that in consequence of the enhanced cost of FLOUR, the PRICE of BREAD will be raised, from 1st September Next, to EIGHT Cents per ℔.

Hongkong, August 25, 1897. 1702

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Hongkong, August 21, 1897. 1676

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Hongkong, March 15, 1897. 543

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Hongkong, April 6, 1897. 995

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Hongkong, April 29, 1897. 840

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Hongkong, August 6, 1897. 1018

Business Notices.

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Hongkong, August 19, 1897. 1568

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WILL despatch VESSELS to the Undermentioned PORTS on the DATES named:—

FOR.	STEAMSHIP.	CAPTAIN.	DATE.
JAPAN.....	*Ancona*.....	W. D. MUDIE.....	Noon, 27th August.
LONDON.....	*Ceylon*.....	R. F. PEARCE.....	About 2nd September.

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Hongkong August 23, 1897. 1612

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SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., GENERAL MANAGERS, HONGKONG.

DAKIN, CRUICKSHANK & Co., LTD., IN LIQUIDATION.

FINAL DISTRIBUTION OF THE COMPANY'S ASSETS.

NOTICE is hereby given that the LIQUIDATION of the above COMPANY having been completed, the LIQUIDATOR will Distribute the SURPLUS ASSETS of the Company amongst the Registered SHAREHOLDERS in the proportion of 72½ c. per SHARE.

Upon presentation of Scrip to the Liquidator for Cancellation at his OFFICE on or after 16th August Instant, each SHAREHOLDER will receive an Order on the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION in full Settlement of his CLAIMS against the Company.

Dated in Hongkong this 6th day of August, 1897.

F. MAITLAND, *Liquidator*

1563 DAKIN, CRUICKSHANK & Co., LD., Victoria Buildings 5, Queen's Road Central.

CHINA SUGAR REFINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

IN accordance with the Provision of No. 121 of the ARTICLES of ASSOCIATION, the GENERAL AGENTS have THIS DAY Declared an INTERIM DIVIDEND of 4 PER CENT, for the Half Year ending 30th June, 1897, on the PAID-UP CAPITAL of the Company.

DIVIDEND WARRANTS PAYABLE on MONDAY, the 30th August, will be issued to SHAREHOLDERS.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be CLOSED from 21st to 30th Instant, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., *General Agents.*

Hongkong, August 14, 1897. 1625

BOMBAY FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Undersigned having been Appointed AGENTS of the above COMPANY, are prepared to accept FIRE RISKS.

P. P. TATA & Co.,
M. M. MEHTA, *Ag'ts.*

Hongkong, August 3, 1897. 1538

PUNJOM MINING Co., LIMITED.

THE ADJOURNED PRIVATE MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held in the Company's OFFICE, No. 9, Praya Central, Hongkong, on MONDAY, August 30, 1897, at 12 o'clock Noon.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

JAMES B. DUNCAN, *Secretary.*

Hongkong, August 25, 1897. 1709

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

CONTRIBUTING SHAREHOLDERS are requested to send in a STATEMENT of BUSINESS CONTRIBUTED during the Half Year ended 30th June, 1897, on or before the 15th September, on which Date the Accounts will be CLOSED.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

THOS. I. ROSE, *Secretary.*

Hongkong, August 25, 1897. 1697

AMERICAN SYSTEM OF DENTISTRY, AT 30, *QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.*

CHADWICK KEW,

(DATE OF PORTE & MOSLE.)

Hongkong, July 13, 1897. 1548

The Old Blend Whisky of the WHITE HORSE CELLAR

DIRECT FROM DISTILLERY. GIVES THE SAME, PURE GENUINE MATURED SCOTCH WHISKY.

Agents:

Messrs. W. G. HUMPHREYS & Co., Queen's Road Central. 1694

THE GREEN ISLAND CEMENT Co., LIMITED.

NOTICE.

A CERTIFICATE of 35 SHARES of the New Issue numbered 28289/28323, standing in the Register of this COMPANY in the name of JACOB BENJAMIN ELIAS having been LOST, Notice is hereby given that a Duplicate Certificate for the said 35 Shares will be issued one month hence and that the Original Certificate, unless produced within that period, will thereafter be held by the Company as null and void.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., *General Managers.*

Hongkong, August 18, 1897. 1643

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE DIVIDEND of 8% per SHARE and BONUS of 4% per SHARE for the Six Months ending 30th June, 1897, declared at Monday's Ordinary Half Yearly Meeting, will be PAYABLE at the Premises of the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, on and after TUESDAY, the 24th August, and SHAREHOLDERS are requested to apply for DIVIDEND WARRANTS at the Company's OFFICE, No. 14, Praya Central.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

THOS. I. ROSE, *Secretary.*

Hongkong, August 23, 1897. 1683

A. S. WATSON & Co., LIMITED.

TO AERATED WATER MANUFACTURERS AND OTHERS.

NOTICE is hereby given, that all Aerated Water Bottles & Syphons bearing the Company's Name and Trade Mark are its property solely and that any Manufacturer using the same or any Person or Persons other than the Customers of the Firm found in possession of the same will be proceeded against as the law directs.

HENRY HUMPHREYS, *for Secretary.*

Hongkong, August 19, 1897. 1656

THE CHINA & MANILA S. S. Co., LIMITED.

NOTICE.

A CERTIFICATE of 11 SHARES numbered 3922/3976, standing in the Register of this COMPANY in the name of HEITIA BUDD TOMES having been LOST, Notice is hereby given that a Duplicate Certificate for the said 11 Shares will be issued one month hence and that the Original Certificate, unless produced within that period, will thereafter be held by the Company as null and void.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., *General Managers.*

Hongkong, August 19, 1897. 1642

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Hongkong, August 25, 1897. 2185

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Hongkong, August 25, 1897. 1712

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ROOM in BEACONSFIELD ARCADE.
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BELILIOS & Co.

Hongkong, August 24, 1897. 1662

TO LET.

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13, *Praya Central.*

Hongkong, April 30, 1897. 396

Intimations.

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Gold and Silver Medals received from Foreign Exhibitions.

SAI HING STREET, CANTON. 961

NOTICE.

I HAVE THIS DAY Opened a BRANCH of my FIRM in WUCHOW, in the Province of Kwongsai, China.

A HING (元昌),
Contractor,
No. 390, Queen's Road West.

Hongkong, August 19, 1897. 1646

Kinghorn & Macdonald,
Consulting Mechanical Engineers and Surveyors,
CONTRACTORS FOR THE SUPPLY OF ALL KINDS OF MACHINERY AND APPLIANCES.

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Hongkong, November 5, 1896. 2233

Notices to Consignees.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP '*PRINZ HEINRICH.*'

THE above-named Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns of the HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY, LTD., Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

OPTIONAL CARGO will go on to Shanghai unless notice to the contrary be given before Noon.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 31st Aug., will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on THURSDAY, the 2nd Sept., and TUESDAY, the 7th Sept., at 9.30 a.m.

All Claims must reach us before the 8th Sept., or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
MELCHERS & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, August 25, 1897. 1713

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's S.S. *Kutsang* having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining on board after 4 p.m. of the 26th Instant, will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense into Godowns at East Point.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, August 23, 1897. 1631

NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

STEAMSHIP *VICTORIA*,
FROM TACOMA, VICTORIA, YOKOHAMA, KOBE AND SHANGHAI.

THE above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature, and take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, August 11, 1897. 1610

Entertainment.

H. WELLBY-COOKE'S
ANIMATOSCOPE

ANIMATOSCOPE

EDISON'S LATEST WONDER will be exhibited at the THEATRE ROYAL TO-NIGHT, (THURSDAY), the 26th August, at 9 p.m., and SATURDAY, the 28th August, at 9 p.m.

COMPLETE CHANGE OF PROGRAMME.

Tickets may be had at Messrs. ROBINSON & Co.'s or at the Door.

Dress Circles, ...$2 and 1.
Stalls, ...$2, $1, & 50cts.

Hongkong, August 26, 1897. 1650

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to Sell by Public Auction,

GOODS
SUITABLE FOR
AUTUMN and WINTER CLOTHING,
at their
New Auction Rooms in Ice House Lane,
on FRIDAY,
the 27th August, 1897, at 2.30 p.m.

Open to Inspection on *Thursday*, 26th of August.

TERMS OF SALE:—Cash before delivery.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.

Hongkong, August 25, 1897. 1701

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, on

SATURDAY,

the 28th August, 1897, at his Auction Room, Zetland Street, No. 2, Commencing at 2.30 p.m.—

For Account of whom it may concern:

A LARGE QUANTITY OF
FINE AND VALUABLE
HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE,
(Mostly MARIENBURG-MADE)
(Removed from the Higher Level for convenience).

Comprising:—

SEVERAL SILK TAPESTRY and PLUSH DRAWING ROOM SUITES, very large BEVELLED GLASS OVERMANTELS, LADIES' DRESSING TABLES with large GLASSES, WARDROBES with GLASSES, MARBLETOP WASHING STANDS, MARBLETOP SIDE TABLES, ICE CHESTS, EASY CHAIRS, HATSTANDS, CROCKERY, PLATED WARE, CURTAINS, ONE LARGE AMERICAN WOODEN BEDSTEAD with MATTRESSES, ETC., COMPLETE, GLASSWARE, ETC., ETC., ETC.

ONE LARGE BLACKWOOD CARVED CABINET, SEVERAL VERY FINE STEEL ENGRAVINGS and OIL-PAINTINGS.

VERY FINE INLAID JAPANESE PLACQUES and LACQUERED SCREENS, BLACKWOOD SIDE-TABLES, BLACKWOOD CARVED MUSIC STAND.

LARGE JAPANESE CLOISONNE and PORCELAIN VASES.

SEVERAL JINRICKSHAS and CHAIRS.

On view at the undersigned's from *Thursday*, 26th inst.

Catalogues issued prior to Sale.

TERMS OF SALE:—Cash before delivery as Customary.

PAUL BREWITT,
Auctioneer.

Hongkong, August 23, 1897. 1688

To-day's Advertisements.

PUBLIC AUCTION
OF
VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, CANTON BLACKWOOD WARE, &c., &c.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, on

SATURDAY,

the 28th August, 1897, at 2.30 p.m., at his Sales Rooms, Duddell Street,—

(*For Sundry Accounts,*)

A QUANTITY OF
VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE.

Comprising:—

DRAWING-ROOM SUITE in SILK TAPESTRY and PLUSH, FINELY CARVED CANTON BLACKWOOD WARE, such as CURIO STAND, LADY'S DESK, TABLES, TEAPOYS, &c., &c.

MARBLETOP and OCCASIONAL TABLES, BRUSSELS CARPET, LACE CURTAINS.

A FINE TEAK SIDEBOARD with BEVELLED GLASS, EXTENSION DINING TABLE, DINNER WAGGON, DINNER and DESSERT SERVICES, ELECTRO PLATE and GLASSWARE, &c., &c.

A few SILVER MOUNTED SHELL STANDS, DOUBLE BRASS-MOUNTED BEDSTEADS, DOUBLE and SINGLE WARDROBES with BEVELLED GLASS, IRON COOKING STOVE, ICE BOX and PANTRY REQUISITES.

Catalogues will be issued.

On view from *Friday*, the 27th August.

TERMS:—As Customary.

GEO. P. LAMMERT,
Auctioneer.

Hongkong, August 26, 1897. 1715

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

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MONTHLY SERVICE.

FOR SEATTLE, WASHINGTON, *VIA* KOBE, YOKOHAMA AND HONOLULU.

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The Co.'s Steamship
Kinshiu Maru,
Captain F. L. SOMMER,
will be despatched as Above on THURSDAY, the 9th Sept., at 4 p.m.

Consular Invoices of Goods for the United States should be in Quadruplicate, and one Copy must be mailed by the Steamer to the care of the Freight Agent, Great Northern Railway, Seattle, Wash.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

Hongkong, August 26, 1897. 1699

Vessels Advertised as Loading.

Destination.	Vessels.	Agents.	Date of Leaving.
Australian Ports	Nanchang (s)	Butterfield & Swire	Aug. 27, at noon.
Baltimore	Isaac Reed	Shewan, Tomes & Co.	Quick despatch.
Bremen & Ports of Call	Prinz Heinrich (s)	Norddeutscher Lloyd	Sept. 14, at 9 a.m.
Japan Ports	Ancona (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Aug. 27, at noon.
Kobe and Yokohama	Idzumi Maru (s)	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	Aug. 27, at 4 p.m.
London, v. Ports of Call	Moyune (s)	Holliday, Wise & Co.	About Sept. 9.
London, v. Suez Canal	Prometheus (s)	Butterfield & Swire	Aug. 30, at noon.
London & Ports of Call	Nestor (s)	Butterfield & Swire	Sept. 6.
London	Ceylon (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About Sept. 2.
Manila	Yuensang (s)	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Aug. 27, at 4 p.m.
Marseilles v. Saigon	Salazie (s)	Messageries Maritime	Sept. 1, noon.
M'seilles, London, &c.	Tosa Maru (s)	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	Sept. 7, at 4 p.m.
M'seilles, London, &c.	Nerite (s)	Arnhold, Karberg & Co	August 30.
Shanghai, Kobé & Y'ma	Sagami Maru (s)	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	Aug. 30, at 4 p.m.
New York, v. Suez Canal	Lennox (s)	Dodwell, Carlill & Co	About Aug. 31.
New York	Landaeer	Siemssen & Co.	Quick despatch.
Sandakan and Kudat	Deucalion (s)	Butterfield & Swire	Aug. 28, at 3 p.m.
S. Francisco, v. Japan	Belgic (s)	O. & O. S. S. Co.	Sept. 2, at noon.
S. Francisco, v. Japan	China (s)	Pacific Mail S. S. Co.	Sept. 11, at noon.
San Francisco	Heathbank	Shewan, Tomes & Co.	Quick despatch.
Seattle, Washington	Kinshiu Maru (s)	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	Sept. 9, at 4 p.m.
Shanghai	Prinz Heinrich (s)	Norddeutscher Lloyd	Aug. 27, daylight.
Shanghai	Dardanus (s)	Butterfield & Swire	Aug. 27, at 4 p.m.
S'hai, Kobé & Y'hama	Yarra (s)	Messageries Maritime	About Aug. 31.
S'pore, Col'bo & B'bay	Hiroshima Maru (s)	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	Aug. 31, at noon.
S'pore, Havre & H'burg	Irene (s)	Siemssen & Co.	Aug. 28, at 5 p.m.
S'pore, Penang & C'tta	Kutsang (s)	Jardine, Matheson & Co	Aug. 31, at noon.
S'tow, Amoy & F'chow	Haitan (s)	Douglas Lapraik & Co.	Aug. 27, at noon.
Tacoma (Wash.), &c.	Victoria (s)	Dodwell, Carlill & Co.	Sept 7, at noon.
Vancouver (B.C.), &	Empress of India (s)	Canadian P'ific R. Co.	Sept. 1, at noon.
Wladivostock, &c.	Hiogo Maru (s)	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	Aug. 27, at noon.
Y'ma, Kobé & Nagasaki	Hohenzollern (s)	Norddeutscher Lloyd	Aug. 27, daylight.

To-day's Advertisements.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR SHANGHAI.

The Steamship
Dardanus,
Captain GREGORY, will be despatched TO-MORROW, the 27th Instant, at 4 p.m.

For Freight, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, August 26, 1897. 1707

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

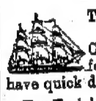
FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.

The Co.'s Steamship
Kutsang,
Captain GEO. PAYNE, will be despatched as above on TUESDAY, the 31st Instant, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, August 26, 1897. 1716

FOR BALTIMORE.



The 3/3 *L.I.I.* American Ship
Isaac Reed,
Captain WALDO, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to
SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.

Hongkong, August 26, 1897. 1714

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

August 25.

Kiangpak, Chinese steamer, 840, F. Brisander, Swatow August 24, General.—KWANG MAN WO.

August 26.

Irene, German str., 3,000, R. Schüder, Yokohama August 3, and Moji 20, Coal and General.—SIEMSSEN & Co.

Astral, British str., 1,473, F. G. Major, Sumatra via Singapore Aug. 16, Petroleum.—MEYER & Co.

Pronto, German str., 720, H. Meyer, Newchwang August 19, Beans and General.—SIEMSSEN & Co.

Bengloe, British steamer, 1,985, A. W. S. Thomson, London and Singapore Aug. 20, General.—GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.

DEPARTURES.

August 26.

Kaisar-i-Hind, for Europe, &c.
Japan, for Shanghai.
Sunghiang, for Manila.
Donar, for Yokohama.
Fausang, for Saigon.
Kweilin, for Shanghai.
Ixion, for Nagasaki.
Hailoong, for Swatow.
Tamsui, for Shanghai.
Kiangpak, for Swatow.
Fushun, for Shanghai.
Ching Ping, for Newchwang.
Nanshan, for Singapore.
Hanes, for Vladivostock.

CLEARED.

Frey, for Singapore and New York.
Loyal, for Yokohama.
Dardanus, for Shanghai.
Astral, for Pulo Sambilan.
Taiyuan, for Kobe.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

Per *Bengloe*, from Singapore, 70 Chinese.

DEPARTED.

Per *Kaisar-i-Hind*, from Hongkong: for Colombo, Mr B. D. Pandit; for Bombay, Mr N. S. Glazebrook; for Port Said, Mr Chas. Carroll; for London, Mr and Mrs Vine. From Yokohama: for Singapore, Mr T. Nakamura; for London, Messrs H. S. Verety and N. Matsunami. From Nagasaki: for London, Messrs N. F. Van Feen, G. Largendyt, and R. Van Beck. From Shanghai: for Bombay, Mr. Sydney Cope; for London, Messrs H. W. Buckland, J. L. Kay, C. H. Denny, and Wm. Broad.

Per *Lightning*, for Singapore, Mrs Chan Ng and daughter; for Penang, Mr and Mrs Lum Fung Chi, 3 girls and 2 servants, Mrs Lee Kum Kok, and Mr Kwan Seung; for Calcutta, Subadar Mir Khan, Messrs S. Apcar, M. G. Apcar, and J. Arnovitz.

Per *Tamsui*, for Shanghai, 12 Chinese.

Per *Fushun*, for Shanghai, 50 Chinese.

Per *Ching Ping*, for Newchwang, 9 Chinese.

Per *Nanshan*, for Singapore, 678 Chinese.

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

MAILS will close:—

For YOKOHAMA.—
Per *Loyal*, at 8.30 a.m., on Friday, the 27th August.

For NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.
Per *Ancona*, at 11.30 a.m., on Friday, the 27th August.

For SHANGHAI, CHEFOO, CHEMULPO, NAGASAKI, FUSAN, GENSAN & VLADIVOSTOCK.—
Per *Hiogo Maru*, at 11.30 a.m., on Friday, the 27th August.

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

MAILS will close:—

For SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW.—
Per *Haitan*, at 11.30 a.m., on Friday, the 27th August.

For PORT DARWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND, BRISBANE, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE.—
Per *Nanchang*, Registration at 11 a.m., Letters at 11.30 a.m., on Friday, the 27th August.

For KOBE & YOKOHAMA.—
Per *Idzumi Maru*, at 3.30 p.m., on Friday, the 27th August.

For MANILA.—
Per *Yuensang*, at 3.30 p.m., on Friday, the 27th August.

For PORT DARWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOKTOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY, & MELBOURNE.—
Per *Airlie*, Registration at 4 p.m., Letters at 4.30 p.m., on Friday, the 27th August.

For HAIPHONG.—
Per *Clara*, at 5 p.m., on Friday, the 27th August.
Per *Hanoi*, at 9.30 a.m., on Saturday, the 28th August.

For BANGKOK.—
Per *Kong Beng*, at 9.30 a.m., on Saturday, the 28th August.

For SANDAKAN & KUDAT.—
Per *Deucalion*, at 2.30 p.m., on Saturday, the 28th August.

For SINGAPORE.—
Per *Irene*, at 4.30 p.m., on Saturday, the 28th August.

For WUCHOW.—
Per *Hoi On*, at 5 p.m., on Saturday, the 28th August.

For SINGAPORE, COLOMBO & BOMBAY.—
Per *Hiroshima Maru*, at 11.30 a.m., on Tuesday, the 31st August.

For SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, VICTORIA & VANCOUVER.—
Per *Empress of India*, Registration, at 10 a.m., Letters, at 10.45 a.m., on Wednesday, the 1st September. (Supplementary Mail on board till time of departure. Extra postage 10 cents.)

For SINGAPORE, PENANG & BOMBAY.—
Per *Letimbro*, at Noon, on Wednesday, the 1st September.

For SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, HONOLULU & SAN FRANCISCO.—
Per *Doric*, Registration at 10 a.m., Letters at 11 a.m., on Thursday, the 2nd September. (Supplementary Mail on board till time of departure. Extra Postage 10 cents).

For SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, VICTORIA & TACOMA.—
Per *Victoria*, at 11.30 a.m., on Tuesday, the 7th September.

REGISTRATION.—Correspondence can be registered for all Private Ship mails up to five minutes before the time for closing; for the Shanghai or Japan contract mails up to a quarter of an hour before; for mails for Europe, America, and Canada, &c., up to an hour before; for Indian, Northern Pacific, and Torres Straits mails, up to half an hour before.

MONEY LETTERS.—The Post Office decline all responsibility for unregistered Letters containing bank notes, coin, or jewellery, and, where Registration has been neglected, WILL MAKE NO ENQUIRIES into alleged losses of such letters (Post Guide, Par 30)

LOCAL DELIVERIES.—Separate Boxes have been provided for posting Correspondence for the Town, Kowloon and the Peak. The Boxes are under the Window at the East end of the Verandah facing Queen's Road.

Letters, parcels, &c., for Kowloon Point and Steamers in Harbour may be posted in the General Post Office up to 11.30 a.m. and 3.30 p.m. Letters *from* Kowloon Point may be posted in the Letter Box which has been placed in the Police Compound outside the Charge Room up to 12 and 4 o'clock, and in the Pillar Box at the Wharf. Local Rates will be charged. To avoid robbery, senders of letters *from* Kowloon are requested to cancel their stamps by writing the word *stamped* across them. Covers containing Bank Notes, &c., should be registered. No Sunday delivery.

Letters, &c., for the Peak will be delivered by the 12 and 3.30 o'clock trams only. Correspondence and Parcels for the Peak may be posted in the General Post Office up to 11.30 a.m. or 3 p.m. or in the letter boxes in the cars till time of departure. With regard to letters from the Peak, Pillar boxes have been placed at Magazine Gap, Victoria Gap, Mount Kellett, Mount Gough, and Plantation Road, which will be cleared at 12.30 and 4 p.m.

Quotations.

HONGKONG, August 26, 1897.

OPIUM—New Patna, cash, ...		735
" Old " cash,		—
" New Benares, cash,		735
" Old " cash, ...		—
" New Malwa, credit,		830/840
" Allowance Taels, ...		1/8
" Last Year New, ...		850/870
" Allowance, Taels....		1/8
" Old Malwa credit, ...		910/960
" Allowance, Taels, ...		0/8
" Persian, Paper tied		620/690
" Allowance, Taels, ...		1/8

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

Shipping.

Daylight.—*Prinz Heinrich* leaves for S'hai.
Daylight.—*Hohenzollern* leaves for Japan.
Noon.—*Haitan* leaves for Coast Ports.
Noon.—*Hiogo Maru* leaves for W'stock.
Noon.—*Nanchang* leaves for Australian Ports.
Noon.—*Ancona* leaves for Japan.
4 p.m.—*Dardanus* leaves for Shanghai.
4 p.m.—*Idzumi Maru* leaves for Kobe.
4 p.m.—*Yuensang* leaves for Manila.

Auctions.

2.30 p.m.—Auction of Sundries, &c., at Messrs. Hughes and Hough's.

Miscellaneous.

Goods per *Laos* unclaimed after this date subject to rent.

Goods per *Brato* undelivered after this date subject to rent.

General Memoranda.

SATURDAY, August 28:—
2.30 p.m.—Auction of Household Furniture, &c., at Mr Geo. P. Lammert's.
9 p.m.—The Animatoscope at the Theatre Royal.

MONDAY, August 30:—
Noon.—Adjourned Private Meeting of Shareholders of The Punjom Mining Co., Ld., at the Company's Office, No. 9, Praya Central.
Dividend Warrants of The China Sugar Refining Co., Ld., payable.

TUESDAY, August 31:—
2.30 p.m.—Auction of Household Furniture, &c., at Mr. Paul Brewitt's.
Goods per *Prinz Heinrich* undelivered after this date subject to rent.

WEDNESDAY, September 1:—
9 p.m.—Meeting of Zetland Lodge.

TUESDAY, September 7:—
Goods per *Maria Ricknera* undelivered after this date subject to rent.

WEDNESDAY, Sept. 15:—
Statement of Contributors, to the Hongkong & Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd., to be sent in before this date.

Exchange.

HONGKONG, August 26, 1897.

On London—	
Bank, Wire, ...	1/9⅜
" On demand, ...	1/9⅞
" 30 days' sight, ...	1/9⅝
" 4 months' sight, ...	1/9⅞
Credits, 4 " "	1/9⅝
Documentary, 4 months' sight,	1/9⅞
On Paris—	
On demand, ...	2.25
Credits, 4 months' sight, ...	2.29
On Berlin—Demand, ...	1.82
On New York—	
On demand, ...	43⅜
Credits, 60 days' sight, ...	44⅜
On Bombay—	
Wire, ...	135
On demand, ...	135½
On Calcutta—	
Wire, ...	135
On demand, ...	135½
On Shanghai—	
On demand, ...	70⅞
30 days' sight, (private paper)	77⅞
Gold Leaf, 100 fine, (per tael)	$55.50
Sovereigns (Bank's buying rate)	$11.01
Silver (per oz.)	29⅜d.

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A. S. WATSON & Co., LIMITED.
THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY.

Hongkong, August 18, 1897. 1611

BIRTH.

On the 21st August, at No. 10, Queen's Road East, the Wife of C. LESBIREL, of Jersey, Channel Islands, of a Daughter.

☞ *The publication of this issue commenced at 6.10 p.m.*

The China Mail.

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, AUGUST 26, 1897.

NOT so very months ago, the whole of the Far Eastern communities were up in arms against the Telegraph monopolists because of certain changes in the tariffs, and the unanimity was such that one might have been excused for supposing that the construction of a Pacific cable route was imminent. Australian and Canadian opinion also seemed to favour the Pacific cable, but a wonderful alteration has taken place in public opinion and the scheme is now left, as it has been said, 'in mid-air.' The agitation in the East, however, was not without its effect. Whilst maintaining justification for the increase, the Cable Companies yielded so far to popular opinion as to abate the tariff, and subsequent reductions between the more important business centres east of Suez have dissipated the indignation which the original increases had created. In the Far East, therefore, we are not likely to hear much of the Pacific cable scheme for a considerable time, unless the Directorate of the monopolies are so ill-advised as to attempt to pinch another serious increase out of their Eastern customers.

As far as the self-governing Colonies are concerned the project appears to be shelved indefinitely. Mr Chamberlain, in his capacity of Secretary of State for the Colonies, took advantage of the presence of the Colonial Premiers at the Record Reign celebrations to hold a conference on colonial topics. One of the subjects discussed was the Pacific cable. It may be remembered that one of the main arguments for the new cable, as distinct from the advantage of having an alternative route, was the 'All-British' idea—that the cable would touch only at British possessions and would, therefore, be of great strategic advantage in case of war. The position was entirely changed by a proposal submitted by the Eastern Extension Telegraph Company to lay an all-British line from Western Australia, across the Indian Ocean to Mauritius, thence connecting with the Cape and St. Helena and Ascension. The Company did not ask for a direct subsidy for the proposed new line, but, of course, looked for such concessions from the Australian Governments as would justify the construction of the line. When the naval, military, and postal authorities of Great Britain declared that the proposed Cape cable was infinitely preferable to one under the Pacific, the case for the latter was much damaged. Self-interest prompted Western Australia and South Australia to oppose the Pacific cable, which would have diverted traffic from their land lines, Victoria was indifferent what course was pursued, and Canada 'ratted,' so that the prospects of the scheme rapidly faded away. By reason of their geographical situation, Queensland, New South Wales, and New Zealand were prepared to subsidise the Pacific line, and it has been said that if the Imperial and Canadian Governments had been willing to subscribe a share the scheme had a fair chance of being pushed forward. The Imperial Treasury, however, looked askance. The Treasury officials, whatever the motive that prompted them, decidedly objected to share in subsidising the line, and other considerations having been laid before the Conference, when Sir Wilfrid Laurier expressed the opinion that he mistrusted the estimates of cost, revenue, and maintenance submitted by the projector, adding that he was not prepared to pledge Canada to a share in the expense, the Pacific cable scheme was doomed; if not for ever, at least for very many years. Whether the alternative route by Mauritius and the Cape will now be urged is very doubtful, and matters, probably much to the satisfaction of the cable monopolists, have drifted back to the position we were in prior to the proposition of the Pacific line. Whether the latter state of the Far Eastern communities will be better than their first lies with the syndicate which rules the telegraphic destinies of this section of the terrestrial sphere.

WE notice in one of the Victoria newspapers, amongst a list of passengers who have sailed for the newly-discovered goldfields of Clondyke, the names of Mr L. C. Barff. Can this be our old friend Lionel, who figured as one of the most athletic of our Hongkong boys? Our British Columbian contemporary says the party to which Mr Barff is attached is headed by Mr H. L. Hulbert, and is one of the best equipped that has yet left for the goldfields. The party took up eight horses and two boats, which have been expressly made for them for the trip. These boats have canvas tops and can be used as sleeping places. They have been fitted out regardless of expense, and each man has taken his bulldog with him. What the 'bull-dogs' were taken up for none of the party would say.

VESSELS AT THE DOCKS.—at Kowloon—City of Rio, Hongkong, Empress of India, Esmeralda.

Aberdeen.—(None.)

Cosmopolitan.—West York.

30 New Pianos just arrived: best makers. Also Cabinet Transporting Pianos, guaranteed for the climate. W. Rennie & Co.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

STEAMERS PASSED SUEZ CANAL.
(SUPPLIED THROUGH REUTER.)

OUTWARD BOUND:—*Lochlay, St. Ninian*, July 27; *Laurel Branch*, 30; *Gisela, Hertha*, August 3; *Elm Branch, Flintshire, Lady Furness*, 6; *Macduff, Pyrrhus, Sumatra, Glaucus, St. Jerome*, 10; *Oolong, Helene Rickmers, Glenartney, Sydney, Teucer, Ceres*, 17; *Socotra*, 20; *Remus*, 24; *Oanfa*, 25.

HOMEWARD BOUND:—*Socotra*, July 6; *Sunda*, 13; *St. Andrews*, 23; *Hyson*, 28; *Aladdin*, 30; *Thekla*, August 3; *Benledi, Formosa, Dorothea Rickmers, Ellen Rickmers*, 6; *Teenkai, Sachsen*, 13; *Hector, Oceanien, Pakling*, 20; *Canton, Myrmidon*, 24.

VESSELS PASSED ANJER.

OUTWARD:—June 28.—British 4-masted barque *Bandaneira* for Nagasaki, from Delaware Bay March 14. June 29.—German ship *Peru* for Hakodate, from Barry Dock March 25. June 29.—American ship *Wm. H. Conner* for Shanghai, from New York March 24. June 29.—American ship *Com. C. H. Allen* for Yokohama, from New York March 15. June 29.—American ship *Edenballymore* for Shanghai, from New York March 17. June 29.—British 4-m. barque *Falls of Ettrick* for Anjer, f.o., from New York Feb. 20. July 2.—Norwegian barque *Columba* for Bangkok, from Delagoa Bay May 28. * July 2.—British ship *Wm. Tellie* for Nagasaki, from Philadelphia March 26. July 3.—British ship *Lord Wolseley* for Yokohama, from Pensacola Feb. 23. July 5.—British barque *Benaven* for Hiogo, from Philadelphia March 24. July 9.—German ship *Richard Rickmers* for Singapore, from Cardiff April 2. July 12.—German ship *Kaiser* for Singapore, from Newcastle, N.S.W., May 29.

HOMEWARD:—June 24.—Italian barque *Maria Accama* for Liverpool, from Singapore May 19. June 20.—British barque *Engelhorn* for Boston, from Cebu April 15. July 12.—British ship *Sierra Segura* for Falmouth, from Saigon June 2. July 13.—British barque *Cambusdoon* for New York, from Singapore. July 14.—Hawaiian barque *Fooking Suey* for New York, from Manila May 25.

Mails.

The M. M. Co.'s s. s. *Yarra*, with the FRENCH MAIL of the 30th July, left Singapore on Tuesday, the 24th Aug., at 5 p.m., and may be expected here on or about Tuesday, the 31st Aug. This Packet brings replies to letters despatched from Hongkong on the 23rd June.

The P. M. Co.'s s. s. *China*, with mails &c., left San Francisco for this port via Honolulu, Yokohama, Inland Sea, Kobe, Nagasaki, and Shanghai, on the 5th Aug.

The O. & O. Co.'s s. s. *Belgic*, with mails &c., left San Francisco for this port, via Yokohama, Inland Sea, Kobe, Nagasaki and Shanghai, on the 14th Aug.

The C. P. R. Co.'s s. s. *Empress of Japan* sailed from Vancouver for Yokohama on the morning of Tuesday, Aug. 24th.

Steamers Expected.

The N. G. I. s. s. *Letimbro* left Singapore for this port on the 20th Aug., and may be expected here on or about the 27th Aug.

The N. Y. K. s. s. *Sagami Maru*, from Melbourne &c., left Thursday Island for this port on the afternoon of the 17th Aug., and is expected to arrive here on the 28th Aug.

The s. s. *St. Ninian*, from New York for Hongkong, left Singapore on the 25th Aug., and is due here on or about the 31st Aug.

The E. & A. s. s. *Menmuir*, from Sydney, &c., left Port Darwin on the 24th Aug., for this port.

The C. M. Co.'s s. s. *Oolong*, from Glasgow and Liverpool, passed the Canal on the 16th Aug., and may be considered due at Singapore on or about the 3rd September.

The R. L. s. s. *Helene Rickmers*, from Middlesbro', Antwerp and Hamburg, passed the Canal on the 16th Aug., and may be considered due at Singapore on or about the 7th September.

The N. P. Co.'s s. s. *Olympia* sailed from Tacoma, Washington, for this port via Japan on the 14th Aug.

Latest Advices.

The C. M. Co.'s s. s. *Oanfa*, from Swansea and Liverpool, passed the Canal on the 25th Aug., and may be considered due at Singapore on or about the 11th Aug.

Mr. James D. Macintosh, of the Chartered Bank, is transferred from Bangkok to Singapore.

THE C. P. R. Co.'s s.s. *Empress of India* will leave for the usual ports, also call at Amoy, on the 1st September, at noon.

THE local bakeries and most of the stores are raising their prices to meet the drop in exchange. Bread will cost eight cents in future instead of seven.

BANGKOK having beaten the *Pigmy* teams at cricket, football and golf, the ladies of Bangkok were encouraged to play the Pigmies at Cricket. The result has not come on to Hongkong in the latest batch of Bangkok papers.

THE battleship *Renown*, frequently mentioned as destined for the China Station, relieves the cruiser *Crescent* as flagship of the North America and West Indies Station. Before leaving England, the *Renown* will hoist the flag of Vice-Admiral Sir John Fisher, who succeeds Vice-Admiral Erskine as Commander-in-Chief of the Squadron.

THIS morning, after the steamer *Lightning* left her buoy to proceed on her voyage to Singapore she went on a bank off Yaumati, but was released without any damage. At her buoy she was heading East, and as she was turning to head West she struck the bank. Inspector Hanson, who witnessed the occurrence, steamed off in the Police launch to the vessel, and observing a launch towing a junk, obtained her assistance. Ropes were attached to the junks, and the head of the *Lightning* was towed round, when the *Lightning*, with her own steam, and the assistance of the launches, got off, and immediately proceeded on her voyage.

W. ROSENDORF & Co., Piano and Musical Instrument specialists and experts. Workshops and Factory, Duddell St.; Show Rooms, Queen's Road Central.

THE animatoscope will be shown at the Theatre to-night with an entirely new programme of pictures.

A DESCRIPTION of the shooting for the Queen's Prize at Bisley will be found on the fifth page.

YESTERDAY, Detective Inspector Quincey was dismissed from the Police Force by order of Hon. F. H. May, Captain Superintendent of Police, for gross neglect of duty in not discovering and not reporting a common gaming house at No. 2, Wa Lane.

WE are informed by the Colonial Secretary that a telegraphic reply was received from the Home Government to the petition by Hongkong residents against the sale of Mount Austin Hotel to the military authorities for conversion into a barracks. As was anticipated the Home Government refuses to interfere in the matter. The reply has been communicated to Mr Gershom Stewart, one of the promoters of the petition. According to the arrangements entered into between Mr Hart Buck, of the firm of Messrs J. D. Humphreys and Son, proprietors of the Hotel, and the military authorities, the hotel will be handed over to the latter for alteration and adaptation as barracks some time in September.

IT is a source of satisfaction to observe evidence of the adoption of Western modes and manners by natives of the Far East. Recently two Chinese gentlemen, who had been educated in England and who have adopted European dress, were admitted to practice as solicitors in the Colony, and another addition has been made to the legal profession in the Straits. Mr Woo Thiam Tiew, the second Chinese resident of Singapore to qualify for the legal profession in England, returned to Singapore by the N. D. L. s. s. *Prinz Heinrich* attired in the latest London cut. He was wearing tweed trousers, frock coat and a tall silk hat, and was met on arrival by a number of his friends.

A GREAT deal has been written about gold prospecting in Kwangtung, but so far as we have been able to learn from the most reliable sources the prospecting has been more imaginary than real. The rumour was that gold had been discovered in the Takhing Prefecture, in the neighbourhood of the West River, and by the time the rumour reached Shanghai the amount of gold won from the quartz discovered had risen to a fabulous figure. If the stories re-told in Hongkong had been correct it would have paid local capitalists to realise on all the other gold and coal mines in the Malay Peninsula, Australia, Tonkin or anywhere else to develop 'the enormous mineral wealth of the adjacent Kwangtung Province.' Coorgaum has no danger of a serious rival. But——all that glitters is not gold! The Governor of the alleged gold-bearing Prefecture has granted no concessions for gold mining; no Gold-mining Company has been started in Canton. At all events, it has not come to the knowledge of reputable Chinese in the city. The rumour of the discovery of gold appears to have got abroad because a Cantonese man has gone up to Hupeh by way of Shanghai with a view to acquaint himself with the mining system in vogue in that Province. When he returns to Canton, he may prospect in the Kwangtung Province for rich metals or he may not; but, at any rate, it is premature to state positively, as has been stated, that gold has been discovered in the Province not in payable quantities only but in such profusion as would speedily enrich the first lucky operators to commence work in the auriferous region.

COOLIE wages continue to rise in Japan. The coolie masters recently informed the foreign firms of Kobe that in future the daily rate would be 50 sen for ordinary day-labourers, and that if the foreign firms refused to consent to this there would be a strike. We understand that most of the foreign firms have conceded the rise, which is an increase of ten sen upon the daily wages previously paid. A year or two before the war wages for these labourers ranged between twenty and twenty-five sen per day, and the advance of a hundred per cent. that has taken place is indicative of the general rise in the cost of labour during the past two or three years, which must be taken into consideration in all calculations as to Japan's commercial future.—*Kobe Chronicle.*

THE attention of all military nations is now being drawn to 'the guns which don't kill,' as they have been described in a recent French pamphlet. With magazine rifles came in a demand for a lighter weapon, as the extra cartridges used became a serious question. The Lebel rifle led the way in 1886; then came the Mannlicher in 1888, the Lee-Metford in 1889, and the Russian three-line in 1891. All these were of about the same calibre, varying from 8 millimetres for the Lebel, to the Lee-Metford 7.7 millimetres, and the Russian, which is even smaller, 7·6 millimetres. Since then there has been a new departure, the Italian Carcano, or Naval rifle, and the Dutch, Roumanian, and Norwegian rifles have got down to 6.5 millimetres, and experiments have been made with a view to going to 5.5, 5, and even 4 millimetres. At Concon and Placilla, in the Chilian civil war, the Balmacedists were not stopped by the Mannlicher. We know what happened in Chitral in 1895, and the Italians at Adowa lost many dead and few wounded, while the Abyssinians had few men killed but a large number slightly wounded—so slightly that they have come to the conclusion that the Italian gun is hardly worth considering. In Dahomey, in 1886, the new Lebel caused few deaths, and in Madagascar there is the same report. It is to be hoped that the Dum-Dum bullet, or whatever it is called, is being issued to the troops now being engaged; and that instead of bothering so much about penetration, more attention will be paid in future to the objects for which a gun is useful. The Amir is probably much better advised by his guns than by his party whip.

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

[SUPPLIED TO THE 'CHINA MAIL.']

LONDON, 24th August, 1897.

LORD SALISBURY'S PROPOSAL AND THE POWERS.

The Powers, agreeing to Lord Salisbury's proposal, are now enquiring of Greece what revenues she will be able to assign for the indemnity loan.

THE RISE IN THE WHEAT MARKET.

The excitement in the United States has extended to the British wheat market, the price at home, in places, reaching 37/ per quarter.

PRESIDENT FAURE IN RUSSIA.

At a banquet at Peterhof to President Faure, toasts were exchanged affirming that the visit would draw closer the powerful ties uniting the two countries. The word 'alliance' was not mentioned.

FIGHTING ON THE NORTH-WEST FRONTIER.

The Afridis have captured and burned Fort Maude. The native garrison retired. The fort of Ali Musjid is surrounded; its fate is unknown.

THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

The Legislative Council met this afternoon. H. E. Sir Wm. Robinson, G.C.G.M., presided. There were present—H. E. Major-General Wilsone Black, C.B.; Hon. J. H. Stewart Lockhart, Colonial Secretary; Hon. W. M. Goodman, Attorney General; Hon. T. Sercombe Smith, Colonial Treasurer; Hon. W. Chatham, Acting Director of Public Works; Hon. F. H. May, C.M.G., Captain Superintendent of Police; Hons. C. P. Chater, C.M.G., Ho Kai, T. H. Whitehead, J. J. Bell-Irving, E. R. Belilios, C.M.G., and Wei Yuk; and Mr J. G. T. Buckle, Clerk of Councils.

REPORTS AND DOCUMENTS.

The Colonial Secretary laid upon the table the Blue Book for 1896, correspondence respecting salaries of officers employed in the public service and Financial Minute No. 19; and also Report of Finance Committee (No. 4), and begged to move its adoption.

Mr Sercombe Smith seconded.

Carried.

Mr Chatham submitted Report of the Public Works Committee (No. 4), and moved its adoption.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Carried.

MEDICAL REGISTRATION ORDINANCE.

The Attorney General moved the first reading of a Bill entitled an Ordinance to further amend the Medical Registration Ordinance, 1884, and to repeal Ordinance No. 1 of 1897.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Carried.

The Attorney-General explained that the object of the Bill was to enable the Principal Civil Medical Officer, as he is now called, who was formerly designated Colonial Surgeon, to become a member of the Medical Board. Unfortunately there was a slight clerical error in the Medical Registration Ordinance, and the opportunity was taken of the amendment to insert the proper title of the Principal Civil Medical Officer.

The bill passed through all the stages.

PREPARED OPIUM ORDINANCE.

The Ordinance to further amend the Prepared Opium Ordinance passed the second and third reading, and was carried.

A few amendments were made in the bill in Committee.

Mr Whitehead asked for a definition of the word adult? A Chinaman at 17 or 18 might be the father of a family. The Ordinance only permitted an adult male to smoke opium or dross opium in the divan.

The Attorney-General—Precisely the same words are used in the Straits Ordinance which we were asked to follow by the Secretary of State.

Major-General Black—There is no age for adultism at all. It differs in different individuals, so that it would be most difficult to state any age.

The Attorney-General said he thought they would find that an adult was over 16 years of age. It was one of the greatest difficulties in the Courts of Justice to prove the age of Chinese, but 16 years was generally admitted as the adult age. The Magistrate would give a reasonable interpretation to the word 'adult,' and if not it would go to the Supreme Court.

Some conversation took place as to an amendment which was ultimately proposed by Dr Ho Kai and seconded by Mr Wei A Yuk, that Section 6 be altered to read that 'any person who knowingly permits or suffers any female, not being the Opium Divan keeper or the wife or child of such keeper, *or a bona fide member of the keeper's family*, to enter or remain in an Opium Divan' shall be subject to the penalties enacted by the Bill.

The Colonial Secretary said he thought the word 'family' would be rather vague, especially with Chinese.

The Attorney-General said if they tried to bind the Magistrate to hard and fast rules it would be more difficult for him than if it were more elastic.

Mr Whitehead—Is it possible for an opium divan keeper to be a woman?

The Attorney-General—There is an interpretation in an Act of Parliament that 'male' includes female.

The amendment was carried by 8 votes to 3.

WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' PENSIONS.

Mr Sercombe Smith moved the second and third readings of a Bill entitled an Ordinance to amend the Widows' and Orphans' Pensions (Amendment) Ordinance No. 28 of 1895.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

The Bill passed the second and third reading and was carried.

NATURALIZATION BILL.

An Ordinance for the Naturalisation of Ho Mui Sa was passed.

His Excellency adjourned the Council till Monday week at 3 p.m.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

A meeting of the Finance Committee was held immediately after the Council, under the Chairmanship of Hon. J. H. Stewart Lockhart.

The Committee recommended the Council to vote a sum of Five hundred Dollars ($500), in aid of the vote 'Materials for Remunerative Industry, Victoria Gaol.'

THE *Shogyo Shimpo*, which some time ago pointed out the effect the change of currency was likely to have on the China markets, now remarks that the Chinese merchants at Yokohama who are engaged in the export of marine produce, cotton goods and sundries are now in great difficulties. All the smaller merchants have ceased to buy, and some of the exporters of cotton goods are talking of suspending.—*Kobe Chronicle.*

LONGCOATS AT THE MAGISTRACY.

OBSTRUCTING THE POLICE.

At the Magistracy to-day, before Mr H. E. Wodehouse, Police Magistrate, Cheung Shum Fu, retired gentlemen, Chiun Pui Woo, interpreter at the American Consulate, and Chan Sui, compradore to Messrs Douglas, Lapraik, were again brought up, charged with obstructing the Police in the performance of their duty in arresting Im Chim, billiard marker, with the last defendant. The billiard marker was charged with gambling. A counter charge of assault was heard against Sergeant Scott.

Mr J. Hastings, who appeared for the Chinamen, intimated that the first defendant was unable to attend through illness.

Loung Tim, head billiard marker at the Hongkong Hotel, said on evening of 19th inst. he was playing billiards at No. 11 Wellington Street. Im Chim was marking till about half-past eleven o'clock. After finishing playing he went out into the verandah to cool himself, when a disturbance arose in the street. He went in to send Im Chim down to find out what was the cause of the disturbance, and observed him going downstairs. He was instructing the other Chinamen to play billiards. Im Chim was marking from a little after eight o'clock till half past eleven o'clock.

Sergeant Scott was placed in the box, and in answer to the statement of last witness, said it was quite possible that Im Chim might have just entered the gambling house; he might have gone straight downstairs into the gambling house. The shop was quite dark. There was a kerosine lamp on the stair leading to the first floor.

Mr Hastings submitted that Sergeant Scott was making a mistake when he said that he saw Im Chim leaving the gaming house. He stated that there was no light in the shop, and there must have been a tremendous confusion, Sergeant Scott having been knocked to the ground in trying to arrest a man. Mr Hastings said it was extremely unlikely that the Sergeant could recognise Im Chim under these circumstances. The probability was that Im Chim, on hearing the disturbance, when he had finished the billiard marking went down into the street, and was standing there when Sergeant Scott came up, when he ran upstairs, and Sergeant Scott made a mistake and thought he had come out of the basement floor. With regard to the question of obstructing the Police, that was of a most trifling character. All that Chan Sui did was to take the Sergeant by the arm and say 'Don't arrest him.' That was a very mild form of obstruction. With regard to the assault by Sergeant Scott, there was no doubt these men considered they had been assaulted, and it went to their *bona fides* that they did not attempt to say it was a serious assault; it was merely a technical assault. They told Sergeant Foord it was nothing serious, but they did object to being struck or pushed by the Police any more than a European. No serious obstruction occurred, and whatever did occur occurred through the mistake of the Police. He would suggest that this charge of obstructing the Police would never have been brought if the defendants had not told Sergeant Scott they were going to summon him for assault.

The Magistrate said there had been a great deal of evidence taken in the case, and at the same time he did not regard it as a serious case. He was bound to say that up till to-day he was inclined to regard the Im Chim as certainly being one of the gamblers, but he was unwilling to believe that the witness had come to the Court to swear false evidence. He was a man well known in the Colony and was acquainted with the necessity of telling the truth, and there had been no attempt to insinuate that he had been telling lies. He was inclined to accept his evidence, and he, therefore, was of opinion that if Im Chim was in the gaming house at all it was not for a very long period. The law said that anybody found in a gaming house was equally guilty with those playing, whether he was playing or not, and that the onus rested with the defendant to prove that he was not playing. He did not think this was a case in which that part of the law need apply, and accepting the evidence of the billiard instructor he would find that Im Chim was not in the gaming house, and order his discharge. With regard to the charge of obstructing the Police against the others, he did not believe the case very serious. He believed they interfered believing there was a mistake, and they objected to Im Chim being taken away as he was one of their household. At the same time the action they took was illegal. Sergeant Scott had performed his duty with the greatest discretion. Even when they were most anxious to bring a charge against the Sergeant of assault all that they were able to say was that they had received a slight push, and considering the obstruction the Sergeant met with in the execution of his duty he would have been justified in resorting to far more severe measures. He considered the Sergeant performed his duty very satisfactorily, that he committed no assault that was not rendered necessary by the action of the defendants. As regards the defendants, they were carried away by the excitement of the moment, but nevertheless they were guilty of obstructing the Police in the performance of their duty, and for that offence he fined them $10 each.

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A CAREFUL watch is being kept over the Japanese manufacturers of so-called lemonade and other aerated waters; 2,866 bottles of various makes have just been condemned, at 356 different shops and drinking-places.—*Hiogo News.*

THE Queen, it is calculated, has now spent more time in Scotland than many kings and queens who ruled Scotland alone. In fact, Her Majesty's spring and autumn sojourns in the Highlands since 1842 make an aggregate of about eighteen years.

PRINCE Albert of Belgium will within the next few weeks set forth on a tour around the world. He will follow the route adopted by the present Czar. But before proceeding to China and Japan he will visit Australia, and on leaving Yokohama he will sail for the United States, where he is expected towards the month of August, next year, on his way home.

It is understood that the 1st Battalion Rifle Brigade, on its way home in December from Singapore to Parkhurst, Isle of Wight, will drop no fewer than 520 men at Malta to make up the 2nd Battalion, which goes there, to war strength. This probably means that the 2nd Battalion may have to go to Egypt on service. The 1st Battalion will take back with it to England all the men from the 2nd Battalion who have not more than one year's service. This is a typical example of how the linked battalion system works. It certainly is little encouragement to company officers who see themselves thus deprived at a swoop of all of their best trained men.—*Singapore Free Press.*

WEATHER NOTICE.

The following notice is issued from the Observatory:—

On the 26th at 11.30 a. The barometer has risen generally, except steady in Luzon. The low pressure lies in the N.E. part of the Sea of Japan. Pressure is high in S. China and near the normal on the E. coast and in Luzon. Gradients slight. Forecast:—light or moderate E. winds; fine.

AFGHANISTAN AND ENGLAND.

Constantinople, July 25.

The Turkish paper *Mahumat* publishes a translation from an article in a Russian paper in which attention is drawn to the recent issue, by the Ameer Abdurrahman, of a medal bearing on one side a mosque and on the reverse the title Zia-ud-Din u' Dowlah, which he recently assumed. Reference is also made to the pamphlet entitled 'Takvim-ud-Din,' which was circulated in Afghanistan by Abdurrahman. The somewhat startling, but not altogether logical, conclusion is drawn that war between England and Afghanistan is inevitable, and that the Ameer is certain of victory. The author of the pamphlet is said to be in correspondence with the Afghan Sheik Jaffir, who is in communication with Yildiz Kiosk.—*Standard Cor.*

CHESS COLUMN.

CONDUCTED BY 'BLACK BISHOP.'

☞ *Communications should be addressed,* 'CHESS,' CHINA MAIL OFFICE.

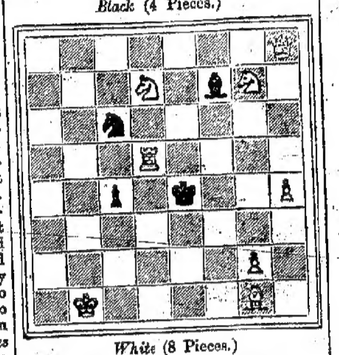
Original Problems should be accompanied by Solution and Analysis.

The Hongkong Chess Club meets every Monday, Thursday and Friday from four till half-past seven p.m. at Thomas's Grill Room.

Problem No. 56.

By ANTONIN BECK.

Black (4 Pieces.)



White (8 Pieces.)

White to play and mate in two moves.

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Hongkong, Aug. 26.

Subjoined is the full result of the Club's All-against all Tournament. Unfortunately, so large a number of games were left to be assigned to suppositiious winners under the rule for limiting the duration of the match that the results lose some of their value as an indication of individual merit:—

	O'Gorman	Souza	Moses	Hendley	Pidgeon	De Jesus	Batliwara	Barlow	Danenberg	Cocks	Levi	Houghton	Total
O'Gorman	—	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	9
Souza	1	—	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	8½
Moses	0	0	—	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	7
Hendley	0	1	0	—	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	8
Pidgeon	1	0	0	0	—	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	6
De Jesus	0	0	1	1	0	—	0	0	1	0	1	1	6½
Batliwara	0	0	0	0	0	1	—	1	1	0	1	1	5
Barlow	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	—	0	1	1	1	6
Danenberg	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	—	0	1	1	5½
Cocks	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	—	1	1	5
Levi	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	—	1	4
Houghton	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	—	0

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After all, tournaments are by no means a criterion of comparative ability. This can only be decided by matches between individual players, and I hope that many such matches may be played during the coming session. For instance, if we take the score of the six players who head the list, regarding only the games among themselves we should find the result to be as follows:—Souza 3½, O'Gorman 3, de Jesus 2½, Moses, Hendley and Pidgeon, each 2; a similar list confined to the remaining six would be headed easily by the two second-class players, Cocks and Batliwara.

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A small prize will be given for games played during September and October under rules which may be seen on the Club notice-board. Not fewer than twelve games are to be played, not more than four between the same opponents, class odds are to be allowed; and the conditions generally are nearly the same as those of the slip competitions a few months ago, save that a player's marks will be calculated by counting wins as one each and draws each as a half, and dividing the total by the number of games he has played. This system seems fairer than the method formerly adopted which penalised lost or drawn games too severely.

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It is curious that in the middle ages chess was considered rather a disreputable game and looked upon by religions in much the same light as some austerer sects now regard card-playing. It was a gambling game at which kingdoms, houses and wives were occasionally staked. In the eleventh century, we find a Pope writing to severely rebuke a Cardinal who had fallen under the spell and was addicted to chess-playing to the neglect of his duties, and a century earlier King Canute is said to have ordered the assassination of an earl who ventured to play chess better than the King.

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The following are two more of the games played in the Ladies' International Tournament:—

Game No. 143.

RUY LOPEZ.

White (Mrs Berry.)	Black (Miss Field.)
1. P—K 4	P—K 4
2. Kt—K B 3	Kt—Q B 3
3. B—Kt 5	Kt—B 3
4. P—Q 3	B—K 2
5. B×Kt	Q P×B
6. Kt×P	Castles
7. Castles	B—Q 3
8. P—K B 4	Kt—K sq
9. Kt—Kt 4	Q—R 5
10. P—K R 3	B—B 4 ch
11. K—R sq	P—K R 4
12. Kt—R 2	Kt—B 3
13. Kt—K B 3	Q—Kt 6
14. Q—K sq	Q×Q
15. R×Q	P—K Kt 3
16. P—Q 4	B—Kt 3
17. P—Q B 3	K—Kt 2
18. Kt—Kt 5	P—Q R 3
19. Kt—Q 2	B—R 2
20. Q Kt—B 3	P—B 4
21. B—K 3	P×P
22. B×P	B×B
23. Kt×B	P—Q B 4
24. Q Kt—B 3	P—Kt 4
25. P—R 3	B—Kt 2
26. Q R—Q sq	K R—K sq
27. P—K 5	Kt—Q 4
28. K—Kt sq	Q B—Q sq
29. P—K Kt 3	Kt—Kt 3
30. R×R	R×R
31. P—K 6	P—B 3
32. P—K 7	R—K sq
33. Kt—K 6 ch	K—R 2
34. Kt—Q 4 ch	Resigns

Game No. 144.

GIUOCO PIANO.

White (Miss Finn.)	Black (Miss Thorold.)
1. P—K 4	P—K 4
2. Kt—K B 3	Kt—Q B 3
3. B—B 4	B—B 4
4. P—Q B 3	P—Q 3
5. P—Q 4	P×P
6. P×P	B—Kt 3
7. B—K 3	P—K B 3
8. Kt—R 4	P—K Kt 3
9. Kt—Q B 3	Q—K 2
10. P—B 4	P—B 4
11. Kt—B 3	P×P
12. Kt—K Kt 5	Kt—K R 3
13. Castles	B—Kt 5
14. Q—Q 2	B—Q R 4
15. B—Kt 5	B—Q 2
16. P—Q R 3	P—Q R 3
17. B×Kt	B×B
18. P—Q Kt 4	B—Kt 3
19. P—Q 5	B—Q 2
20. B×B	P×B
21. K R—K sq	Castles Q R
22. R×P	Q—B 3
23. R—Q B sq	K—Kt sq
24. Q—K 3	R—Q B sq
25. Kt—K 6	Kt—B 4
26. Q—Q 2	K R—K sq
27. P—K Kt 4	B×Kt
28. P×Kt	P×P
29. R×B	R—Kt sq ch
30. K—R sq	Q—R 5
31. R×P	R—Kt 5
32. R—K B sq	Q R—Kt sq
33. Q—K sq	Q—R 6
34. Q—K 2	R—Kt 7
35. R—Q 8 ch	K—R 2
36. Kt—Kt 5 ch	P×Kt and wins.

CABLE CHESS MATCH.

The following are the present positions in the Match between Singapore and Hongkong:—

GAME 1.—RUY LOPEZ.

White (Singapore).	Black (Hongkong).
1. P—K 4	P—K 4
2. Kt—K B 3	Kt—Q B 3
3. B—Kt 5	P—Q 3
4. P—Q 4	P×P
5. Kt×P	B—Q 2
6. Kt—Q B 3	Kt—B 3
7. P—B 4	B—K 2
8. Kt—B 3	Castles
9. Castles	P—Q R 3
10. B—Q 3	R—K sq
11. P—Q Kt 3	P—K R 3
12. B—Kt 2	Kt—K Kt 5
13. Q—K sq	Kt—B 3
14. R—Q sq	P—Q Kt 4
15. P—K R 3	Kt—K R 2
16. Kt—Q 5	B—K 3
17. Q—B 3	B—B 3
18. Kt×B	Q×Kt
19. P—K 5	Q×B P
20. B×Kt ch.	K×B
21. Q×Kt	Q—Kt 6
22. Kt—R 2	P—Q 4
23. R—K B 3	Q—Kt 4

GAME 2.—GIUOCO PIANO.

1. P—K 4	P—K 4
2. Kt—KB 3	Kt—QB 3
3. B—B 4	B—B 4
4. P—QB 3	Kt—KB 3
5. P—Q Kt 4	B—K 2
6. P—Q 3	P—Q 4
7. P×P	Kt×P
8. Castles	Castles
9. R—K sq	B—B 3
10. P—Q Kt 5	Kt—R 4
11. Kt×P	R—K sq
12. P—B 4	B×Kt
13. R×B	Kt×B
14. P×Kt	Kt—Q Kt 3
15. Q—K 2	B—K 3
16. Kt—R 3	Q—Q 2
17. B—K 3	P—K B 3
18. B—K 4	B—Kt 5
19. R×R ch.	R×R
20. Q—KB 2	Kt×P
21. Kt×Kt	Q—Q 6
22. Kt—K 5	P×Kt
23. P×P	

FAMILIARITY with vice blunts the edge of virtue. True art lifts Nature from gross surroundings, and shows her in her loveliest form. It is left for the 'realist' in literature and in art to present her in soiled garments.—E. J. Gibbons.

HEAVEN save us! What an outlook, Darwin's view that the human beard is a hereditary reminant of animal growth is directly opposed by Herr H. Brandt. This writer (according to the *Japan Mail*) believes that it has been acquired in man's development, and that *the occasional beard of women is prophetic of a coming time when all women will be bearded.*

DR FRIEDRICH W. F. Riehl, of 1,521 St. Charles Street, Alameda, S.F., lately made a very successful trial of his rubber-blanket life-saving apparatus. His invention consists of a simple cotton-lined rubber blanket, six feet square. By wrapping his clothes in this blanket he made a buoy able to keep a man's body from sinking. Supported by his bundle, Doctor Riehl swam four miles without fatigue. He believes that all sailors should be provided with rubber blankets instead of woollen ones.

THE High Court at Calcutta has recently decided a point of great importance to the Bar. It relates to the practice of certain Courts of striking off cases in which learned counsel fail to appear at the required moment. A case was being heard before Justice O'Kinealy and Rampini, both civilian judges. The Advocate General, Sir Charles Paul, temporarily left the court, and when he returned the following dialogue took place. O'Kinealy, 'You are late, Mr Advocate. We can't hear you.' The Advocate-General: 'I am only a minute late.' O'Kinealy, 'I can't tell you if you are a minute late or ten minutes. All I know is that you are late.' The Advocate-General: 'It is impossible, my lord, for the Bar to carry on business if any such hard and fast rule is to be laid down in these matters; and I must tell your Lordship plainly that if any such hard and fast rules are laid down, I shall cease to practice in this Court.' O'Kinealy, 'I can't help that.'

ACCORDING to London newspapers received by the German Mail the police, both in London and Liverpool, are somewhat concerned at the prospect of a number of Spanish Anarchists being landed in England. They are under sentence of expulsion from Spain. It was first sought to land them in France, but the French Government declined to receive them, and prohibited their entry upon French territory. In this dilemma, it occurred to the Spaniards that the British Government would throw no obstacles in the way of their debarkation, and consequently the whole party, numbering 98 in all, shipped for Liverpool on board the Barcelona steamship *Isla de Luzon*. Many of the party are almost penniless, but the Anarchist bodies in the Metropolis have been giving balls and organising benefits with a view of providing funds for the exiles upon their arrival in England. It is believed that the majority of the Anarchists, if not the entire party, will proceed to London, and the various groups of foreign agitators are making arrangements to welcome them on their arrival. The police regard the Spanish matter as the most important of the Anarchist kind.

THE BISLEY MEETING.

THE WINNERS OF THE CHINA CUP.

The following report of the shooting for the China Cup is taken from *The Standard* of 24th July:—

One of the best contests of the day was that for the China Cup, reserved for the evening. It is a shoot for county teams of ten, and Yeomen and Volunteers are eligible to shoot for their counties. The range is 600 yards, ten shots, and a prize of 30l. goes with the Cup, followed by prizes of 20l., 15l., and three of 10l., quite sufficent to draw teams from the many counties well represented in the Camp. The best total was made by the Norfolk team, 460, beating Stafford by four points. The winner's scores are:—

China Cup and 30l., won by the county of Norfolk.

Sergeant Brock	50
Major Cooke	49
Corporal Brewster	48
Colour Sergeant Ringer	47
Captain Archdale	46
Sergeant Tilney	45
Sergeant Blagg	45
Sergeant Sexton	44
Corporal Dunn	44
Colour Sergeant Barrett	42
	460

Prize of 20l.

Stafford	453

Prize of 15l.

Hampshire	454

Prizes of 10l.

Glasgow	454
Glamorgan	453
Yorkshire, W. Riding	450

THE ATTEMPT TO SWIM THE ENGLISH CHANNEL.

Peter S. M'Nally, of Boston, on the 24th July attempted to swim from Dover to Calais. The start was made from the Admiralty Pier at 11.20 a.m., a small lugger containing several friends accompanying the swimmer. The start was made in the presence of a large crowd. The water was perfectly smooth, and there was comparatively little current, with no wind, but there was a heavy fog. M'Nally began with a strong overhand side stroke, which he afterwards changed for the breast stroke. He was in great spirits, and joined in the choruses of the songs being sung on the lugger. At one o'clock the fog lifted. M'Nally was then swimming south-east, with the tide running to the eastward, so that when the swimmer had made three miles he had also drifted four miles towards Folkestone, making in all about seven miles covered. At six o'clock the Varne buoy and lightship which had caused Webb so much trouble had been passed. The tide now commenced to carry M'Nally towards Calais. His refreshments consisted of beef extract, essence of ginger, and American chewing tobacco, this last, he considered, preventing his tongue from swelling. At eight o'clock the sun went down, and afterwards the lights of Cape Grisnez and Calais shone through the gathering gloom. The swimmer now began to show signs of exhaustion, and was frequently troubled with cramp in the legs, arms, and neck, and also with nausea. But his determination was to reach Calais, and he kept doggedly on. At 2.30 a.m. his sufferings had become terrible. Both blindness and delirium overcame him, causing him to lose all idea of direction. His friends then interfered, and dragged him on board the boat. Calais was reached by rowing at 6.0 a.m. yesterday, M'Nally being much exhausted. All the boat's crew were kindly received by the American Consul. Affidavits attesting the truth of the attempt were sworn to by all concerned. M'Nally and friends returned to Dover by the 1.0 p.m. boat.

AREAS kept under cotton in Japan are getting smaller every year owing to the much cheaper quotation for the imported staple. There were 7,654 *cho* devoted to cotton in 1892, and only 5,117 *cho* last year.

IT is announced that Capt. E. O. Smith, 53th (Northamptonshire) Regt., formerly of Singapore and Hongkong, has been selected as Adjutant of the 3rd and 4th Battalions Northamptonshire Regt. This, we incline to believe, means imminent matrimony, the result of Capt. E. O. Smith's period of service in Jersey. There is an over-plus of the fair sex in those halcyon Channel Islands, which makes defence all the more difficult when numbers are on the side of the attack, an attack so formidable too.—*Singapore Free Press.*

RUSSIA, like India, is one of the great tobacco-producing countries of the world, and grew about 130 million pounds in 1895. The cultivation is free, and has been for 150 years. Peter the Great, finding that all the flogging and severity of his predecessors could not stop its introduction into Russia, admitted it and farmed it out. The monopoly was held for some time by a British admiral. For the last 60 years the Russian Government has levied a tax of 20 per cent on tobacco, which compared with other countries, is mild. The English tax is at least cent. per cent.—*Indian Daily News.*

A LONDON paper states that on two previous occasions while at sea Mr E. C. Pearce, one of the survivors of the *Aden*, was in almost as desperate peril of his life as when rescued with his wife and child from the shipwrecked *Aden*. Eight years ago, when crossing the Pacific from Shanghai to San Francisco, on his way to England, so serious a gale was encountered that all hopes were abandoned by those on board his steamer of ever reaching that port. Last autumn, while sailing off Shanghai in a yawl, a sudden squall capsized it, and he saved his life after a hard two hours' swim to the nearest land. Mr Pearce is a son of Mr John Swayne Pearce, of Waterloo House. He is 34 years of age, and acts as manager of Messrs Ilbert and Co., of Shanghai.

DURING the recent scare a large number of people joined the several local Calcutta Volunteer Corps, merely for the time being, with the object of arming themselves quickly and free of cost, but with no intention of continuing Volunteers after the riots had ceased. Now that their lives and property are safe these highly patriotic gentlemen are sending in their resignations (writes a correspondent to the *Rangoon Gazette*). The Volunteer authorities, however, take quite a military view of the obligations these impulsive gentlemen have incurred by signing the enrolment form, and propose to use a very effective argument to induce them to fulfil their obligations, as they say that the corps have been put to expense. They have resolved not to accept any of these resignations, unless those desiring to be absolved from their obligations pay up the full amount of the annual capitation grant, viz., Rs. 30. Should any of those gentlemen refuse to pay the amount and fail to put in the required number of drills and fire their annual course, they will be dealt with by court-martial. The Volunteer authorities should not allow this expressed intention to become a mere threat, as a lesson should be taught to those persons who intended to make a mockery of the different Volunteer corps it is not at all interesting.

A CRUSADE AGAINST IMPURE TEAS.

ACTION TAKEN IN FORMOSA.

The following article is taken from the *Taiwan Nippo* of the 17th August:—

For the purpose of insuring the high standard of Formosa teas and preventing the sale of teas purporting to be Formosas but which in reality are inferior teas shipped into the island from foreign tea producing countries, the Formosa Tea Guild at the recommendation of the Agricultural Department of the Taipeh Prefecture has put into force the following regulations, which have been agreed to by its members.

I. Any teas imported into Formosa from foreign tea districts and blended with Formosa teas or any adulterated or spurious Formosa teas, which may be recognized as injurious to the reputation of Formosa Oolong, shall be condemned and the buying, selling or transferring of such be strictly prohibited.

II. Any member or members found dealing in the said spurious Formosa teas will be liable to a fine of an amount double the cost of the teas in question and the said teas will be confiscated and burned in the Tea Guild.

III. Any member who discovers and gives information secretly or otherwise that any member or members are dealing in the said spurious Formosa teas will be rewarded a sum amounting to half the fine imposed upon the dealer.

IV. Any member or members found guilty of a second offence in dealing in the said spurious Formosa teas will be expelled from the Tea Guild and forbidden to transact any future business with its members.

V. Inspectors shall be appointed by the Tea Guild and shall give their constant attention to the discovery of secret dealings in the said spurious Formosa teas.

VI. To give assistance in preserving the purity of Formosa Oolong, the foreign merchants in Twatutia (Messrs. Lapraik, Cass & Co., Messrs. Smith, Baker & Co., Messrs Tait & Co., Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Messrs. Boyd & Co.) and the Tai-pek Tea Guild will appoint a Committee to consist of three foreign merchants and four Chinese merchants, which Committee will deal with all questions concerning the adulteration of tea, and their decision shall be final.

VII. There shall be drawn up two catalogues, one to be filed at the Prefectural Office and the other at the Tea Guild Office, which shall contain the signatures and seals of all local tea merchants, big and small, certifying that the signers agree to conform with the above regulations.

VIII. These articles are to be printed and distributed gratis to all tea merchants, and should be posted in a conspicuous place for the observation of all concerned.

WHEN the last mail left San Francisco, the 'rush' to the Clondyke gold fields just over the borders of Alaska, was proceeding apace. The craze was causing men in Puget Sound to throw up good positions and to sail northward. One vessel arrived in Portland with $900,000 worth of gold dust consigned by lucky miners to U.S. Banks, or brought down by their wives or themselves. Californian papers are saying that there is a possibility that some placers will be found inside American, or rather U.S. territory.

CONCERNING the new currency system which is to go into effect in Japan in October, the *Miyako* does not offer a very bright forecast. It thinks there are two reasons why the new system is not likely to work well. These are (1) the recent fall in the market value of silver, which would cause a rush in the return to the Treasury of all our silver coins which are now being used in various Oriental countries; (2) the novelty of gold coins to the majority of our people, which would cause a ho

Notices to Consignees.

'RICKMERS' REGULAR LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM ANTWERP & HAMBURG.

THE Company's Steamship *Maria Rickmers* having arrived from above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY, Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Claims must be sent in to the office of the undersigned before Noon, on the 7th September, or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 7th September, at 3 p.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 7th September will be subject to rent.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before Noon To-DAY.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, August 24, 1897. 1693

FROM HAMBURG, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship *Erato*, Captain OSTERMANN, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature by the Undersigned, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before 3 p.m. To-DAY.

Any Cargo impeding her discharge will be landed into the Godowns of the HONGKONG & KOWLOON WHARF & GODOWN CO., LD., and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 27th Aug., will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 27th August, at 3 p.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

SIEMSSEN & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, August 20, 1897. 1657

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S STEAMER *ROHILLA*.

FROM BOMBAY, COLOMBO AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-named Vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed *at their risk* in the HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY'S GODOWNS at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out Mark by Mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

This Vessel brings on Cargo:—

From LONDON, &c., ex s.s. *Himalaya*. From CALCUTTA, ex s.s. *Simla*. From PERSIAN GULF, ex s.s. *Simla*.

Optional Goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary before 5 p.m. To-DAY.

Goods not cleared by the 26th Instant, at 4 p.m., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

All Damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns and a certificate of the damage obtained from the Godown Company within ten days after the vessel's arrival here, after which no Claims will be recognised.

H. A. RITCHIE,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, August 20, 1897. 1665

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S STEAMER *JAPAN*.

FROM LONDON, PORT SAID, COLOMBO AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-named Vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at *their risk* in the HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY'S GODOWNS at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out Mark by Mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

This Vessel brings on Cargo:—

From ANTWERP, &c., ex s.s. *Candia*. From ITALY, ex s.s. *Sutlej*. From COLOMBO, ex s.s. *Hindu*. From MADRAS, ex s.s. *Ludiana*.

Optional Goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary before 4 p.m. To-DAY.

Goods not cleared by the 26th August, at 4 p.m., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

All Damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns and a certificate of the damage obtained from the Godown Company within ten days after the vessel's arrival here, after which no Claims will be recognised.

H. A. RITCHIE,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, August 20, 1897. 1656

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Steamers.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

NOTICE.

STEAM TO SHANGHAI.

The Co.'s Steamship *Prinz Heinrich*, Captain CÜPPERS, will leave for the above place TO-MORROW, the 27th Inst., at Daylight.

MELCHERS & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, August 26, 1897. 1673

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

STEAM TO YOKOHAMA, KOBE AND NAGASAKI.

(*Passing through the* INLAND SEA).

The Co.'s Steamship *Hohenzollern*, Capt. H. BLEEKER, will leave for the above Ports TO-MORROW, the 27th Inst., at Daylight.

MELCHERS & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, August 26, 1897. 1672

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

HONGKONG-VLADIVOSTOCK LINE.

MONTHLY SERVICE.

FOR VLADIVOSTOCK, *VIA* SHANGHAI, CHEFOO, CHEMULPO, NAGASAKI, FUSAN AND GENSAN.

The Co.'s Steamship *Hugo Maru*, Captain H. WALTER, will be despatched as above TO-MORROW, the 27th Instant, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

Hongkong, August 26, 1897. 1637

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

JAPAN-BOMBAY LINE.

(*Under Mail Contract*).

FOR KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

The Co.'s Steamship *Idzumi Maru*, Captain R. NUNOME, will be despatched for the above Ports on FRIDAY, the 27th Instant, at 4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

NIPPON YUSSEN KAISHA.

Hongkong, August 20, 1897. 1663

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR SANDAKAN AND KUDAT.

The Co.'s Steamship *Deucalion*, Captain BRANCH, will be despatched on SATURDAY, the 28th Instant, at 3 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, August 25, 1897. 1602

FOR SINGAPORE, HAVRE AND HAMBURG.

(*Calling at* NAPLES *for landing Passengers if sufficient inducement offers*).

(*Taking Cargo at through rates to* ANTWERP, AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, LISBON, OPORTO, LONDON, LIVERPOOL AND BREMEN.)

The Steamship *Irene*, Captain SCHÜDER, will be despatched for the above Ports on SATURDAY, the 28th Instant, at 5 p.m.

This Steamer has superior Accommodation for First and Second-class Passengers, and carries a Doctor and a Stewardess.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

SIEMSSEN & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, August 23, 1897. 1678

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON, *VIA* SUEZ CANAL.

The Co.'s Steamship *Prometheus*, Captain DAY, will be despatched as above on TUESDAY, the 30th August, at Noon.

For Freight, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, August 25, 1897. 1629

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

JAPAN BOMBAY-LINE.

MONTHLY SERVICE.

(*Under Mail Contract.*)

FOR SINGAPORE, COLOMBO AND BOMBAY.

The Co.'s Steamship *Hiroshima Maru*, Captain N. ONO, will be despatched for the above Ports on TUESDAY, the 31st Inst., at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

Hongkong, August 20, 1897. 1664

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON, *VIA* SUEZ CANAL.

The Co.'s Steamship *Nestor*, Captain ASQUITH, will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 6th September.

For Freight, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, August 25, 1897. 1710

Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be Responsible for any Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew, of the following Vessels, during their stay in Hongkong Harbour:—

HEATHBANK, British barque, Capt. Jas. McKechnie.—Standard Oil Co.

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FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW.

The Co.'s Steamship *Haitan*, Captain ROACH, will be despatched for the above Ports TO-MORROW, the 27th Instant, at Noon.

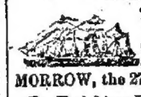
For Freight or Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, August 26, 1897. 1711

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR PORT DARWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND, BRISBANE, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE.



The Co.'s Steamship *Nanchang*, Capt. FINLAYSON, will be despatched as above TO-MORROW, the 27th Instant, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, August 26, 1897. 1708

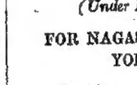
NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

JAPAN-AUSTRALIA LINE.

MONTHLY SERVICE.

(*Under Mail Contract.*)

FOR NAGASAKI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.



The Co.'s Steamship *Sagami Maru*, Captain E. W. HASWELL, will be despatched for the above Ports on MONDAY, the 30th Instant, at 4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

Hongkong, August 23, 1897. 1679

'SHELL' LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR MARSEILLES AND LONDON.

The Co.'s Steamship *Nerite*, Captain DANIEL, will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 30th August, instead of as previously advertised.

For Freight, apply to

ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, August 24, 1897. 1696

MOGUL-WARRACK-MILBURN LINE.

FOR NEW YORK *VIA* SUEZ CANAL.

The Steamship *Lennox*, to be despatched for the above Ports on or about the 31st August, 1897.

S.S. *Pathan*, to sail about 10th Sept., 1897.

S.S. *Bracmar*, to sail about 24th Sept., 1897.

S.S. *Mogul*, to sail about 9th Oct., 1897.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, August 20, 1897. 1649

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

JAPAN-EUROPE LINE.

MONTHLY SERVICE.

FOR MARSEILLES, LONDON AND ANTWERP, *VIA* SINGAPORE, COLOMBO AND PORT SAID.

The Co.'s Steamship *Tosa Maru*, Capt. C. STILLCOAT, will be despatched as above on TUESDAY, the 7th Sept., at 4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

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Hongkong, August 23, 1897. 1680

THE CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

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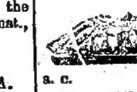
For Freight, etc., apply to

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, August 20, 1897. 1660

NOTICE TO SHIPPERS.

FOR NEW YORK *VIA* SUEZ CANAL.



The Steamship *Morven*, will be despatched as above, about 15th Sept., s. c.

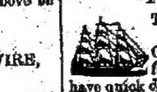
For Freight, apply to

MELCHERS & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, August 16, 1897. 1632

Sailing Vessels.

FOR NEW YORK.



The 100 *A.I.* American Ship *Landseer*, Captain STAHL, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

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SIEMSSEN & Co.

Hongkong, July 5, 1897. 1327

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

The 100 *A.I.* British barque *Heathbank*, McKECHNIE, Master, shortly expected, will load here for the above Port and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to

SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.

Hongkong, June 10, 1897. 1213

Shipping.

Steamers.

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA (DIRECT).

The Co.'s Steamship *Yuensang*, Captain W. WADDILOVE, will be despatched as above on FRIDAY, the 27th Instant, at 4 p.m.

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General Managers.

Hongkong, August 25, 1897. 1700

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANÇAIS.

FOR SHANGHAI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

The Co.'s Steamship *Yarra*, Captain LE COISPELLIER, will be despatched for the above Ports on or about TUESDAY, the 31st Instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.

Hongkong, August 25, 1897. 1698

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NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

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Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon.

Cargo will be received on board until 4 p.m., Specie and Parcels until 3 p.m. on the 31st August. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office).

Contents and value of Packages are required.

For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.

Hongkong, August 19, 1897. 1654

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Olympia.....	2,608	Tuesday...	Sept. 28.
Columbia....	2,605	Tuesday...	Oct. 19.
Tacoma.....	2,549	Tuesday...	Nov. 9.
Victoria.....	3,167	Tuesday...	Nov. 30.
Olympia.....	2,608	Tuesday...	Dec. 21.

THE Steamship *VICTORIA*, Captain J. PANTON, R.N.R., sailing at Noon, on TUESDAY, the 7th September, will proceed to VICTORIA, (B.C.), and TACOMA (Wash.), *via* SHANGHAI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA.

Through Bills of Lading issued to Pacific Coast Points, and to Canadian and United States Points.

Consular Invoices of Goods for United States Points should be in quadruplicate, and *one copy must be sent forward by the steamer* to the care of The Freight Agent, Northern Pacific Railway, Tacoma, Wash.

Parcels must be sent to our Office (with address marked in full) by 5 p.m., on the day previous to sailing.

For further information as to Passage or Freight, apply to

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Hongkong, August 18, 1897. 1644

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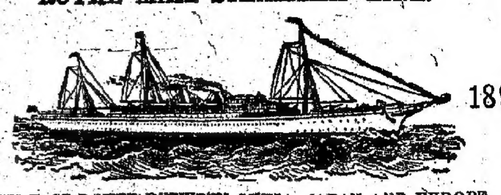
1897.  1897.

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

Prinz Heinrich	Tuesday....	Sept. 14.
Preussen.....	Tuesday ...	October 12.
Sachsen.....	Tuesday ...	November 9.
Bayern.....	Tuesday ...	December 7.
Prinz Heinrich	Tuesday ...	January 4.

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New Zealand.
British North Borneo.
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Orange Free States.
Portugal (including Madeira and the Azores).
Roumania.
Sweden.
Switzerland.
Transvaal.
Tunis.

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Constantinople.	Salonica.
Smyrna.	Panama.
Adrianople.	Tangier.
Beyrout.	

British Colonies:—

Cyprus.	WEST INDIES.
Falkland Islands.	Antigua.
Gibraltar.	Bahamas.
Malta.	Barbadoes.
Newfoundland.	Bermuda.
AFRICA.	British Guiana.
Britis Bechuanaland.	British Honduras.
Cape Colony.	Dominica.
Gambia.	Grenada.
Gold Coast Colony.	Jamaica.
Lagos.	Montserrat.
Mauritius.	Nevis.
Natal.	St. Kitts.
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" " £5 " " £7 .. 9d.
" " £7 " " £10 1s. 0d.

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	Prices. Highest. Cash.	Prices. Lowest. Cash.	Chinese Names.
Butcher Meat.			肉食
Bacon, English, lb.	—	—	來路燻猪肉
" Ame. Sugar cured "	360	—	花旗燻猪肉
" Foochow, "	160	—	福州燻猪肉
" Japan, cured "	120	—	日本燻猪肉
Beef sirloin & prime cut. catty	140	—	尾龍扒
" Corned, catty	140	—	鹹牛肉
" Roast, "	130	—	燒牛肉
" Soup, "	100	—	湯肉
" Steak, "	120	—	牛肉起
Bullock's Brains, per set	60	50	牛腦
" Tongue fresh, each	250	—	牛牙利
" " corned "	310	—	鹹牛利
" Head, "	500	—	牛頭
" Heart, "	150	—	牛心
" Hump, Salt catty	140	—	牛扁
" Feet, each	60	50	牛蹄
" Kidneys, "	50	—	牛腰
" Tail, "	100	—	牛尾
" Liver, catty	70	—	牛肝
" Tripe (undressed) catty	60	50	牛肚
Calves Head and Feet, set	500	—	牛仔頭腳
Hams, American, lb.	320	—	花旗火腿
" Chinese, "	—	—	金華火腿
" English, New, "	440	—	來路火腿
" Japan cured, "	300	—	日本火腿
" Shanghai, "	240	—	上海火腿
Mutton Chop, "	160	—	羊扒肉
" Leg, "	160	—	羊脚
" Shoulder, "	120	—	羊手
Pigs' Chitlings, catty	70	60	猪腸
" Feet, "	110	—	猪蹄
" Fry, "	160	—	猪雜
" Head, each	500	450	猪頭
" Heart, "	50	40	猪心
" Kidneys, pair	70	—	猪腰
" Liver, lb.	160	—	猪肝
Pork, Chop, catty	180	—	猪扒骨
" Corned, "	—	—	鹹猪肉
" Leg, "	190	—	猪脚
" Fat or Lard, "	150	—	猪油
Sheeps' Head and Feet, set	350	—	羊頭腳
" Heart, each	50	40	羊心
" Kidneys, "	70	—	羊腰
" Liver, lb.	150	140	羊肝
Sucking Pigs, each	$1.75	$1.25	猪仔
Suet, Beef, lb.	110	—	生牛油
" Mutton, "	100	—	生羊油
Veal, catty	130	—	牛仔肉
Poultry.			生口
Chicken, catty	220	—	鷄仔
Capons, "	260	—	閹鷄
Ducks, "	130	—	鴨
Doves, each	140	—	鴿
Eggs, Hen dozen	120	—	鷄蛋
" Duck "	110	—	鴨蛋
Fowls, catty	190	—	鷄
Geese, "	160	—	鵝
Hares, each	—	—	兎仔
Musk Deer, "	—	—	黃麂
Partridges, "	—	—	鷓鴣
Pigeons, "	150	—	白鴿
Pheasant, brace	—	—	上海山鷄
Rice Birds, dozen	—	—	禾花雀
Quail, each	—	—	鶉
Snipe, "	—	—	沙鷸
Turkeys, Cock, catty	500	—	火鷄公
" Hen, "	350	—	火鷄母
Teal, each	—	—	水鴨
Wild Ducks, pair	—	—	上海水鴨
Fish.			海鮮
Barbel, catty	200	—	鯉魚
Bream, "	80	—	鯛魚
Bombay Ducks, 100 pieces	250	—	孟買魚
C'ton Fresh Water Fish, catty	—	—	廣東魚
Carp, "	80	—	鯉魚
Catfish, "	—	—	赤魚
Codfish, Salt, "	80	—	鹹魚
Crabs, "	160	—	蟹
Cuttle Fish, "	100	—	墨魚
Dab, "	80	—	比目魚
Dace, "	80	—	鯝魚
Dog Fish, "	—	—	鯊魚
Eels, Congor, "	—	—	海鰻
" Fresh water, "	200	—	淡水鰻
Eels, Yellow, "	180	—	黃鰻
File Fish, "	—	—	剝皮魚
Frogs, "	250	—	田鷄
Fresh Fish, "	80	—	鮮魚
Garoupa, "	200	—	石斑
Gudgeon, "	80	—	白鱗魚
Gurnard, "	80	—	紅魚
Herrings, "	110	—	青白
" smoked box	—	—	熏青魚
Halibut, catty	120	—	鮃魚
Lakrus, "	130	—	黃花魚
Loach, "	140	—	鰍魚
Lobsters, "	200	—	龍蝦
Mackerel, "	—	—	鯖魚
Mon Fish, "	280	—	毛魚
Mullet, "	140	—	鯔魚
Oysters, "	—	—	生蠔
Parrotfish, "	200	—	鸚哥魚
Perch, "	140	—	鱸魚
Pike, catty	—	—	花鯉魚
Plaice, "	—	—	鯽魚
Pomfret, White "	160	—	白鯧
Pomfret, Black "	140	—	黑鯧
Prawns, "	250	—	明蝦
Ray, "	50	—	琵琶沙
Rock Fish, "	80	60	石狗公
Roach, "	—	—	塞魚
Salmon, (Canton), "	250	—	馬友魚
Shark, "	50	—	鯊魚
Salt Fish, "	100	—	鹹魚
Skate, "	50	—	鰩魚
Shrimps, "	140	—	蝦
Snapper, "	220	—	立魚
Soles, "	160	—	槎沙魚
Tench, "	—	—	鯄魚
Turbot, "	140	—	左口魚
Turtles, small, fresh water, "	560	—	龜魚
Whiting, catty	70	—	長魚
White Bait, "	90	—	鱲魚仔
Fruits.			菓子
Apples, (California), catty	170	—	金山平菓
" (Tientsin), "	100	—	天津平菓
" (Japan), "	—	—	日本平菓
Bananas, fragrant, "	30	—	省城香蕉
" (brides), "	40	—	山香蕉
Chestnuts, Chinese, "	150	—	風栗
Carambola, "	100	—	楊桃
Cocoanuts, each	50	—	椰子
Ground Nuts, catty	90	—	花生
Grapes, "	—	—	鮮提子
Lemons, China, "	100	—	檸檬
" Peel, "	—	—	橘餅
Lichees, Dried, "	260	—	荔枝干
" Fresh, "	—	—	荔枝
Limes, "	—	—	檸檬
Mango, (Saigon), each	—	—	安南芒菓
" (Manila), "	—	—	呂宋芒
Mangosteen, dozen	—	—	山竹子
Oranges, Sweet, catty	—	—	新會甜橙
" Green, "	50	—	青橙
" Red, "	—	—	紅橙
Olives, "	—	—	白橄
Pine-apples, each	60	—	本地菠蘿
Pears, catty	50	—	沙梨
" (Tientsin), "	300	—	天津雪梨
Plum, Red, "	—	—	紅李
Pumelo, each	—	—	柚
" (Siam), catty	150	—	暹羅柚
Peach, (Sweet), "	—	—	桃
Raisins, Muscatel, "	—	—	葡萄乾
" Pudding, "	—	—	葡萄
Water Chesnuts, com. "	40	—	馬蹄
" Mandarin, "	60	—	桂林馬蹄
Walnuts, "	130	—	合桃
Vegetables, &c.			菜蔬
Artichokes, Shanghai, catty	—	—	上海丫洽竹
Beans, (French), "	—	—	佛豆
" Long, "	40	—	豆角
Beet Root, each	20	—	紅菜頭
Brinjals, Green, catty	30	—	青茄
" Red, "	30	—	紅茄
Brassica, "	30	—	白菜
Bamboo Shoots, "	70	—	竹筍
Cabbage, Chinese com. "	30	—	芥菜
Cabbage, each	100	—	椰菜
Cauliflower, "	—	—	椰菜花
Carrots, catty	80	—	金參
Celery, Chinese, "	140	—	芹菜
" English, "	—	—	芹菜
Chillies Dried, "	180	—	辣椒
" Red, "	60	—	紅辣椒
Curry Stuff, English, "	50	—	咖喱材料
Cucumbers, "	40	—	青瓜
Bitter Squash, "	30	—	苦瓜
Garlic, "	40	—	蒜頭
Ginger, young, "	50	—	薑子
Horse Radish, S'hai, "	120	—	辣根
Indian Corn, piece	—	—	玉米
Lettuce, (English), each	10	—	洋生菜
Mushrooms, Fresh, catty	—	—	生蘑菇
Onions, Bombay, "	60	—	洋葱頭
" Green, "	30	—	生葱
" Shanghai, "	50	—	上海葱頭
" Japan, "	40	—	日本葱頭
Okroes, "	70	—	秋葵
Parsley, English, bundle	10	—	洋芫荽
Potatoes, Sweet, catty	20	—	番薯仔
" Shanghai, "	30	—	上海番薯仔
" Japan, "	30	—	日本番薯仔
" American, "	—	—	花旗番薯仔
" Foochow, "	—	—	福州番薯仔
" Macao, "	30	—	澳門番薯仔
Pumpkin, "	20	—	南瓜
Purslane, "	5	4	菜仔
Papaw, "	25	20	木瓜
Radish, dozen	20	—	紅蘿蔔仔
Rice, best quality, per picul	$4.50		上白米
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Shalots, catty	60	—	蔥頭
Spinage, (Chinese) "	—	—	菠菜
Spinach, "	30	—	菠菜
Snake Gourd, "	40	—	蛇瓜
Tomatoes, "	50	—	番茄
Taro, "	20	15	芋頭
Turnips, Punti, (Long), "	30	—	白蘿蔔
Vegetable Marrow, "	20	—	節瓜
" " (Long), "	—	—	節瓜
Water-Cresses, "	20	—	菰菜

WM. MACDONALD,
Assistant Inspector of Markets.

HOW LIGHTNING KILLS.

The inquest upon two men who were killed by lightning at Norwich in a recent thunderstorm brought out some interesting facts as to the curious but terrible freaks of lightning. Of three men standing in a group in the doorway of a brick kiln in which they had taken refuge, two were killed instantaneously, while the one in the middle was left untouched in any way. Except for a slight singeing of the hair of one of them, the dead men showed no signs of injury, being quite placid in death. The cap of one of them was found afterwards on the roof of the kiln, ripped to pieces and singed. The only other outward evidence of the work of the lightning-flash was the damage done to the boots of the men. These were ripped up as if by cuts with a sharp knife, and the nails were forced out of the soles. The survivor describes his sensations at the moment by saying: 'There was light between us, on the ground, and all round. It felt as if we were lifted off our feet.' One thing seems clear enough from the statement made by this eye-witness—that terrible as the idea of such a death is, it is painless and instantaneous. The men made no cry, they simply fell. There was not even time for pain to express itself in their faces, which, since pain imprints itself upon the expression of the face with almost the quickness of thought, shows how mercifully rapid the stroke must be in its action.

THE HUMOURS OF ARBITRATION.

Mr G. M. Freeman, Q.C., has found time to write for the newly issued *Land Magazine*, an entertaining paper on 'The Humours of Arbitration.' 'One day,' he writes, 'when the profits of a public-house were in dispute, and counsel were arguing how many glasses could be got out of a bottle of whisky, the barmaid sitting in the court could restrain her feeling no longer, and, rising, called for a full bottle of whisky. Then did she demonstrate how beside the mark were questions whether the contents were twenty-six or thirty-six glasses, when by dexterous manipulation of what is known as "the barmaid's thumb," which is used to conceal from the customer the height to which the glass is filled, she produced, to the admiration of all, "no fewer than forty-two passable allowances."'

Mr Freeman tells another story of a tobacconist who was being examined by his own counsel as to what seemed the abnormal profits of his shop. The counsel, who prided himself on his judgment of cigars, was startled to hear his client declare that when gentlemen came into his shop late at night and asked for a sixpenny medium-flavour he slipped a penny Whitechapel smoke into the box, and they never knew the difference. The scandalised counsel expressed a hope that he didn't often do that. 'Don't I?' replied the client; 'I've often sold them like that to you, and you've never known.'

HONGKONG SHARE MARKET.

In their weekly share report dated Hongkong, 25th August, Messrs Benjamin, Kelly and Potts write:—

The market has suffered a sharp set-back, and most stocks show a heavy decline, caused principally by the high rate of exchange between this and Shanghai and the fall in silver.

Banks.—Hongkong and Shanghai Banks have, in sympathy with a lower London quotation, dropped from 177 to 170 per cent premium, with sales at the latter rate, but as the Chairman's Speech so fully explained the very satisfactory position of the Bank, and there is no cause to justify the fall, a sharp reaction is not unlikely. The London rate is £40 ex dividend. Banks of China Deferred shares have been taken off the market at £5. Nationals are quiet with sellers at $22.

Marine Insurances.—Unions have been in some demand, and are enquired for at $232½. China Traders have been sold and are wanted at $78 and $78½. North Chinas are firm at Tls. 200. Yangtzeos are asked for at $158, but are not obtainable except at an advance. Straits have been sold at $17½ and $17¾, and close steady at latter rate.

Fire Insurances.—Hongkong Fires remain steady at $360. China Fires have been sold in small lots at $106, and are still obtainable.

Shipping.—Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboats have declined to $32½, at which rate sales have been effected. China and Manilas have been done at $75, and can be placed at the rate. Indo-Chinas have, owing to shares offering from Shanghai, dropped to $48 sales. Douglas Steamships have been done at $66½ and are still offering.

Refineries.—Both stocks under this heading have ruled very weak. China Sugars have been placed at declining rates down to $140, and Luzons have been sold at $45 and $44, and are still obtainable.

Mining.—Punjoms have been taken off the market at $5¾ and $6. Nothing definite was settled at the private meeting of shareholders held yesterday, and another meeting is to take place shortly. Charbonnages are wanted at $85. New Balmorals have changed hands at $1.50 and $1.75 for the Ordinary and Preference respectively. Raubs are decidedly firmer, and after fairly large sales at $18½ and $19 cum dividend, have been bought and are wanted for the Singapore market at $19 ex dividend. Olivers B have been taken off the market at $5¾ and $6.

Docks, Wharves and Godowns.—Hongkong and Whampoa Docks have suffered a sharp fall, and have been sold at declining rates down to 222 per cent premium ex the dividend of $15 per share for the half year. Forced sales for the settlement are apparently the cause for the decline. Kowloon Wharf shares are quite with sales and sellers at $63.

Lands, Hotels and Buildings.—Hongkong Lands have been bought from the north at $74, and can still be placed at the rate. Hongkong Hotels are firm with sales and buyers at $48½ ex the dividend of $1.50 per share payable on the 30th instant. Humphreys' Estate have been negotiated at $8½, and close steady.

Miscellaneous.—Green Island Cements have been in strong demand. The old, cum new, have been placed at $43½ and $44; the old, ex new, at $29 and 29¾; and the new at $14½, $14¾, and $15, all closing with further buyers. A. S. Watsons have been fixed at $12½. Electrics have been done at $9½. Ropes are steady with probable buyers at $171. All Cotton Mills are quite at quotations owing to shares offering from Shanghai. We have included the 'Yahloong' and 'Hongkong' Cotton Spinning Companies in our list; the latter have already been taken off the market at $21 and $22.

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THE QUEEN'S PRIZE AT BISLEY.

THE FINAL STAGE.

The following report of the shooting in the Third Stage for the Queen's Prize is taken from *The Standard* of July 26:—When the Queen's Prize Third Stage opened at the 800 yards range, at half-past two, the spectators at once sought out the spot in the line of shooters from which Scott, the Silver Medalist, with his 219 in hand, was to fire. But there were too many men close up to him for Scott to have all the attention. There was Ward, of the 1st Devon, with 218; Captain Foster, last year's Silver Medalist, with 217; a couple of 216's by Stewart, of the Queen's Edinburgh, and Williams, of the 1st Welsh; also 215 by Lieutenant Howard, of the 3rd East Surrey; and six men who had made 214, amongst them, Thomson, of the Queen's Edinburgh, who won the Queen's last year, and Ker and White, two Canadians, heading the Colonials. In fact, with 219 the highest in the Hundred, and 206 the lowest, and a fairly brisk wind blowing over the long ranges, the chances of failure amongst the leading men and of steady and good shooting amongst the lower made the result of the twenty shots about to be fired at 800 and 900 very problematical. Yet Scott gave heart to his friends when he got on the bull at the first shot to count; and Ward damped the hopes of the Devonshire men by leading off with a magpie. Captain Foster also started with a magpie, Stewart with an outer, and Williams with a bull. Thomson got a bull at first shot, Ker a bull, and White an inner. For the first four rounds at 800 there appeared to be a chance of the Queen's going again to Canada, for Ker got all bulls with them, and Scott had only two, his other shots being an inner and a magpie, whilst Ward had been dropping points, and others had been falling off a bit. When the 800 yards ended the position of the leaders was—Scott, 263; Ward and Howard, 259 each; Thomson, Tatlow, and Proctor, 257 each; and Foster and Sergeant Davis, the Welsh Queen's Prizeman, 256. Scott thus still held the lead, and the other men who had followed him at the Second Stage were still holding on well, but some other men were creeping up dangerously, notably Ross, of Canada, with 46 at 800, and Clementi-Smith with another 46. Still Scott's lead left him his popular following when the 900 yards opened, and he again led off with a bull, and Ward with an inner. Thomson's shooting, however, very soon attracted attention. He began with an outer, but with the second shot found the bull, and kept there till he had a string of six, whilst Scott dropped amongst the inners and magpies, and only once more scored a bull at the ninth shot. The Canadian, Ross, who started the 900 with an outer, made a bull at the second and an inner at the third, and then found the bull at the fourth, and finished his score with a string of seven bulls, making him 46 at the ranges and 300 for the whole shoot. Ross's 92 was, indeed, the best score in the Third Stage, and lands him into fourth place. Towards the end of the contest it became evident that it was to be a struggle between Scott, Ward and Thomson, the first named gradually losing points of his lead to the other two. With the last shot to go Ward was in front with 299, and Scott and Thomson had 298 each, about as close a thing as could be. The latter succeeded in making inners, bringing them up to 302, still level; but Ward made the bull again, adding another point to his previous lead of one, and so came out the victor with 304 out of the possible 330, an achievement which brought forth a great cheer from the spectators, amongst whom were now the Duke of York and the Duke of Connaught, who were accompanied by Sir Henry Fletcher and Earl Waldegrave, the present and late Chairmen of the Association. The winner was borne off in triumph to the offices, where his trigger was tested and passed, accompanied by the usual band and a very enthusiastic crowd. He is a member of the Okehampton Company of his battalion, to which he was transferred from the 4th Devon, which he joined in 1884. He has been four times previously in the Queen's Hundred, but has never before won any leading prize, though he has several times shot in the English Twenty. He is thirty years of age, a coach-maker by trade, and is moderate in the use of alcohol and tobacco. The Queen's Prize thus goes to Devonshire for the third time.

The following are the scores and prizes of the leading marksmen:—

Winner of 250*l.* Gold Medal, and Gold Badge:

	1st stg.	2nd stg.	800 yds.	900 yds.	Gnd'l Ttl.
Private W. T. Ward, 1st V.B. Devon	98	120	41	45	304
N.R.A. Badge and 50*l.*					
Capt. J. L. Thomson, Qu's Edinboro	95	116	43	45	302
N.R.A. Badge and 40*l.*					
A. Sgt. J. H. Scott, Border Rifles	102	117	44	39	302
N.R.A. Badge and 30*l.*					
Sergeant W. Ross, Canada	94	114	46	46	300
N.R.A. Badge and 20*l.*					
Sergeant W. T. Davies, 1st Welsh	93	118	45	44	300
Winner of N.R.A. Badge and 15*l.*					
Corporal Ker, Canada	97	117	41	44	299
S. L. of M. Clementi-Smith, Mx. Yeo.	97	110	46	45	298
Clr.-Sergt. Mackay, 1st Sutherland	95	117	44	42	298
Captain White, Canada	96	118	41	42	298
Sergeant Piper, 1st Banff	91	110	41	45	296
Sergeant Proctor, 1st Elgin	95	114	45	39	293
Lce.-Sgt. Darling, 10th Lanark	90	119	49	44	292
Lce.-Cpl. J. Murray, 3d Aberdeen	94	113	45	43	295
Sgt. J. M. Walden, 4th Manchester	97	113	43	43	295
R. Atkin, 4th Durham	96	113	40	41	295

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The zero of the table is Low Water Ordinary Spring Tides, which has been found to be 2 feet below mean sea level.

To obtain the depth of water on the tide gauge at the Victoria Naval Yard add 5 ft. 7 in., and on the gauge at Lamont Dock, Aberdeen, add 12 ft. 9 in. to the height given in the table.

27th Aug. to 2nd Sept.

		High Water. Hongkong Mean Time.	Height.	Low Water. Hongkong Mean Time.	Height.
		h m	ft. in.	h m	ft. in.
Fri.	27	m 7 55	5 5	m 1 22	1 5
		8 25 a	2 8	8 0 a	−1 2
Sat.	28	m 8 40	5 5	m 2 10	0 11
		9 44 a	3 1	8 32 a	−1 1
Sun.	29	m 9 26	5 3	m 3 7	0 8
		10 0 a	3 6	4 7 a	−0 11
Mon.	30	m 10 9	5 1	m 3 51	0 1
		10 38 a	4 0	4 35 a	−0 8
Tues.	31	m 10 57	4 7	m 4 41	−0 2
		11 11 a	4 3	5 3 a	0 0
Wed.	1	m 11 51	2 10	m 5 34	0 3
		11 51 a	4 7	5 30 a	0 0
Thur.	2	0 21 a	2 0	m 6 18	−0 3
				6 21 a	0 0

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Station.	Barometer.	Temperature.	Humidity.	Wind. direction.	Wind. force.	Weather.	Sea.
Wl'ostock.	29.44	77	—	SW	2	b	—
Tokio	29.64	—	—	S	6	—	—
Kochi.....	29.75	—	—	SW	2	—	—
Nagasaki..	29.79	—	—	SW	6	—	—
Kagoshima	29.83	—	—	NW	2	—	—
Gutzlaff....	29.60	67	80	SSW	3	cv	b
Sharp Pk..	29.81	86	76	E	4	b	—
Amoy	29.85	85	79	SE	3	b	—
Swatow....	29.85	86	—	S	2	c	—
Canton	29.80	85	83	NE	—	c	—
Hongkong	29.85	79	85	—	0	c	—
Vict. Peak	—	—	—	S	4	—	—
Gap Rock	29.84	—	—	SSW	3	—	—
Macao	29.84	81	—	S	1	c	—
Haiphong.	29.80	85	72	SE	1	c	—
Bolinao....	29.79	86	68	NNE	2	b	—
Manila.....	29.84	88	66	ENE	1	c	—
C.S. Jamo.	—	—	—	SW	2	f	—
August 26th.—AT 10 A.M.							
Wl'ostock.	29.61	63	69	W	1	c	—
Tokio	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Kochi.....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Nagasaki..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Kagoshima	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Gutzlaff..	29.89	87	84	SSW	1	cv	—
Sharp Pk..	29.90	85	83	E	1	b	—
Amoy	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Swatow ...	29.9[illegible]	83	—	—	0	b	—
Canton ...	29.89	81	91	—	0	c	—
Hongkong	29.96	83	78	SSE	1	c	—
Vict. Peak	—	—	—	E	1	—	—
Gap Rock	29.94	—	—	ENE	2	—	—
Macao	29.96	87	—	ENE	1	c	—
Haiphong.	29.8[illegible]	79	80	—	0	c	—
Bolinao....	29.86	87	78	SSE	2	b	—
Manila.....	29.88	84	77	SE	1	c	—
C.S. James	—	—	—	SW	2	f	—

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Stocks.	No. of Shares.	Value.	Paid-up.	Closing Quotations, Cash.
BANKS.				
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Corp.	80,000	$ 125	all	170 % prem.=$337½
Bank of China & Japan, Limited preference shares	39,950	£ 5	£ 5	nom.
" ordinary "	100,875	£ 8	£ 2.10	nom.
" deferred "	1,250	£ 1	£ 1	£5, buyers
National Bank of China, Limited...	...	£ 10	£ 8	£22, sellers
MARINE INSURANCES.				
Canton Insurance Office Co., Ld.	10,000	$ 250	$ 50	$177½, sellers
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Straits Insurance Co., Ld.	30,000	$ 100	$ 20	$17½, sales
Union Insurance Society, Ld.	10,000	$ 250	$ 50	$232½, sales and buyers
Yangtsze Insurance Association, Ld.	8,000	$ 100	$ 60	$168, sales and buyers
FIRE INSURANCES.				
China Fire Insurance Co., Ld.	20,000	$ 100	$ 20	$106
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ld.	3,000	$ 250	$ 50	$360, sellers
DOCKS.				
H'kong & Whampoa Dock Co., Ld.	12,500	$ 125	all	222 % prem.=$402.50, sales [and sellers
STEAMBOATS.				
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Douglas Steamship Co., Limited	20,000	$ 50	all	$66½, sellers
HK. C. and M. Steamboat Co., Ld.	60,000	$ 15	$ 15	$32½, sales
Indo-China S. N. Company, Limited	60,000	£ 10	all	$48, sales and sellers
China Mutual S. N. Co.	20,000	£ 10	£ 10	£7, buyers
			£ 10	£5.10, buyers
Do. (new issue).	20,000	£ 10	£ 5	£3.10, buyers
REFINERIES.				
China Sugar Company, Limited	20,000	$ 100	all	$140, sales and sellers
Luzon Sugar Company, Limited.	7,000	$ 100	all	$44, sales and sellers
WHARVES.				
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Wanchai Warehouse and Storage Company, Limited.	2,600	$ 100	$ 37½	$44½, sales
LAND AND BUILDING.				
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Kowloon Land and Building Company,	6,000	$ 50	$ 30	$10
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West Point Building Co., Limited.	12,500	$ 50	$ 40	$22, sellers
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" " Preference shares	30,000	$ 1	all	$1.80, sellers
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Raub Aust. Gold Mining Co., Ld.	200,000	£ 1	13/10	$19, ex div., buyers
Olivers Freehold Mines, Ltd.	A 15,000	$ 5	$ 5	$20, sellers
	B 20,000	$ 5	$ 2½	$5½, sales and buyers
	25,000	$ 5	$ 1	—
PLANTING, ETC.				
China-Borneo Company, Ld.	7,500	$ 100	$ 55	nom.
H. G. Brown & Co., Limited. in liq.	6,000	$ 50	all	in liq.
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MISCELLANEOUS.				
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	7,000	£ 1	£ 15/	$5, sellers
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Geo. Fenwick & Co., Limited.	6,000	$ 25	$ 25	$28½
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Hongkong Ice Company, Limited	5,000	$ 25	all	$113, sellers
H'kong Rope Manufactory Co., Ld.	5,000	$ 50	all	$171, sales and sellers
Ewo Cotton Spinning and Weaving Co., Ld.	10,000	Tls. 100	Tls 100	Tls. 115, sales and sellers
International Cotton Manufacturing Co., Ld.	10,000	Tls. 100	Tls 100	Tls. 121
Leon-Kung-Mow Cotton Spinning and Weaving Co., Ld.	8,000	Tls. 100	Tls 100	Tls. 116, sellers
Carmichael & Co., Ld.	2,000	$ 25	$ 20	$8
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Section.
1. From Green Island to the Gas Works.
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10. Kowloon Wharves.
11. Jardine's Wharf.

Vessel's Name.	Anchorage.	Captain.	Flag and Rig.	Tons nett.	Date of Arrival.	Consignees or Agents.	Destination	Remarks.
Steamers.								
Activ	5 c	Storm	Danish str.	426	Aug. 8	Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
Airlie	5 c	Ellis	Brit. str.	2400	Aug. 24	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	Sydney, &c.	Aug. 27.
Aucona	5 k	Mudie	Brit. str.	3147	Aug. 23	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Yokohama	Aug. 27.
Asloun	2 c	Rowsell	Brit. str.	1828	Aug. 24	Shewan, Tomes & Co.		
Astrol	9 c	Major	Brit. str.	1473	Aug. 26	Meyer & Co.		
Ching Ping	3 h	Blake	Chi. str.	1050	Aug. 24	C. R. & M. Co.	Tientsin	Aug. 27.
Chow Tai	2 c	Morris	Brit. str.	1115	Aug. 26	Yuen Fat Hong		
Chusan	5 c	Wendt	Ger. str.	624	Aug. 25	Siemssen & Co.		
City of Rio de Janeiro		Ward	Amer. str.	3519	July 26	P. M. S. S. Co.	.....	K'loon Dock
Dante	3 c	Kopke	Ger. str.	1302	Aug. 19	Chinese		
Dardanus	5 c	Gregory	Brit. str.	2902	Aug. 25	Butterfield & Swire	Shanghai	To-day
Deucalion	5 k	Branch	Brit. str.	1324	Aug. 8	Butterfield & Swire	Sandakan	Aug. 28.
Dorio	5 c	Smith	Brit. str.	2936	Aug. 24	O. & O. S. S. Co.	San Francisco	Sept. 2.
Empress of India	5 h	Marshall	Brit. str.	3009	Aug. 24	C. P. R. Co.	Vancouver, B.C.	Sept. 1.
Esmeralda	3 c	Taylor	Brit. str.	866	Aug. 24	Shewan, Tomes & Co.		
Frey	3 c	Benison	Norw. str.	1898	Aug. 24	Melchers & Co.	Singapore	Aug. 27.
Germania	3 c	Muller	Ger. str.	1714	Aug. 19	Jebsen & Co.		
Glenavon	5 h	Pithie	Brit. str.	1935	Aug. 22	Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
Haitan	5 h	Rosch	Brit. str.	1133	Aug. 25	Douglas Steamship Co.	Coast Ports	Aug. 27.
Hanoi	5 c	Beauneon	Fch. str.	736	Aug. 25	A. R. Marty	Haiphong	Aug. 28.
Hansa	5 c	Marty	Ger. str.	1200	Aug. 13	Butterfield & Swire		
Hiogo Maru	5 c	Warter	Japan. str.	940	Aug. 22	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	Vladivostock	Aug. 27.
Hohenzollern	5 h	Blocker	Ger. str.	2039	Aug. 15	Melchers & Co.	Yokohama	Aug. 27.
Holstein	5 c	Ipland	Ger. str.	1103	Aug. 25	Jebsen & Co.		
Hongkong	...	Bastian	Fch. str.	847	Aug. 18	A. R. Marty	.....	K'loon Dock
Hunan	5 c	Frazier	Brit. str.	1158	Aug. 20	Butterfield & Swire		
Idzumi Maru	5 c	Nunome	Japan. str.	1999	Aug. 23	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	Kobe & Yokohama	Aug. 27.
Irene	5 k	Schüder	Ger. str.	3600	Aug. 26	Siemssen & Co.		
Kiang-pak	2 c	Brissander	Chi. str.	840	Aug. 25	Wwong-Man Woo		
Kong Beng	3 h	Joslin	Brit. str.	862	Aug. 22	Yuen Fat Hong	Bangkok	Aug. 28.
Kutsang	8 c	Payne	Brit. str.	1495	Aug. 23	Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
Loyal	5 c	Lorensen	Ger. str.	1257	Aug. 20	Carlowitz & Co.	Yokohama	Aug. 27.
Malver	5 c	Hyde	Brit. str.	1826	Aug. 20	Order		
Maria Rickmers	5 c	Berg	Ger. str.	3189	Aug. 23	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.		
Nanchang	3 c	Finlayson	Brit. str.	1060	Aug. 21	Butterfield & Swire	Port Darwin, &c.	Aug. 27.
Nanshan	3 c	Stovell	Brit. str.	1344	Aug. 25	Bradley & Co.		
Prinz Heinrich	5 c	Cuppers	Ger. str.	3202	Aug. 25	Melchers & Co.	Shanghai	Aug. 27.
Recorder	...	Brereton	Brit. str.	679	Aug. 23	E. E. Telegraph Co.	.....	K'loon Dock
Sabine Rickmers	6 c	Sanders	Ger. str.	589	Aug. 21	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.		
Taiyuan	5 c	Nelson	Brit. str.	1459	Aug. 18	Butterfield & Swire	Kobe	To-day
Thales	5 h	Douglas	Brit. str.	829	Aug. 22	Douglas Steamship Co.		
Victoria	5 c	Panton	Brit. str.	1993	Aug. 20	Dodwell, Carlill & Co.		
Yuensang	3 c	Waddilove	Brit. str.	1105	Aug. 23	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Manila	Aug. 27.
Sailing Vessels.								
Abner Coburn	7 c	Nichols	Amer. sh.	1879	Aug. 12	Standard Oil Co.		
Ancyra	7 c	Morris	Br. 4m. sh.	2198	July 29	Carlowitz & Co.		
Duguesclin	7 c	Dejoie	Fren. bqe.	1334	Aug. 11	Order		
Gor. Robie	2 k	Nichols	Amer. sh.	1627	July 5	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.		
Heathban	2 k	McKechnie	Brit. bqe.	1548	July 6	Standard Oil Co.		
Isaac Reed	9 c	Waldo	Amer. sh.	1489	Aug. 4	Standard Oil Co.		
Landseer	2 k	Stahl	Amer. sh.	1348	April 12	Dodwell, Carlill & Co.		
Lucy A. Nickels	2 k	Nichols	Brit. bqe.	1380	May 24	Standard Oil Co.		
Sierra Nevada	7 c	Scott	Brit. sh.	1400	July 30	P. & O. S. N. Co.		
West York	...		Brit. bqe.	688	Oct. 18	Order	.....	Cos'tan Dock

Her Britannic Majesty's Ships on the China Station.

Name.	Rig.	Tons.	Guns.	I.H.P.	Captain.	Where at.
Alacrity	despatch-vessel	1700	10	3000	Commander Smith-Dorien	Hakodate
Algerine	sloop	1050	6	1400	Commander E. F. Domville	Shanghai
Archer	gunboat 2nd class	1770	6	3500	Comd. C. J. Kingsmill	Nagasaki
Centurion*	twinscrew battle ship	10,500	14	13,000	Captain Spencer H. Login	Hakodate
Daphne	sloop	1153	8	2000	Commander Galloway	Nagasaki
Esk	g-bt. 3rd class coast defence	363	2	200	Lt.-Com. Chadwick	Shanghai
Firebrand	gunboat 2nd class	455	2	360	Lieut.-Com. Vernon Maud	Hongkong
Grafton†	twin-screw cruiser, 1st class	7350	12	12,000	Captain R. P. Jones	Hakodate
Handy	torpedo boat destroyer	260	6	4000	Lieut. A. Gillespie	Hakodate
Hart	torpedo boat destroyer	260	6	4000	Lieut. H. F. Shakespear	Hakodate
Humber	storeship	1610	—	800		Nagasaki
Immortalité	armoured cruiser, 1st class	5600	12	8500	Captain Edward Chichester	Hakodate
Iphigenia	cruiser 2nd class	3600	8	900	Capt. H. T. Dudding	Swatow
Linnet	gun-vessel 2nd class	755	2	870	Commander R. C. Sparkes	Yokohama
Narcissus	armoured cruiser, 1st class	5600	12	8500	Captain Wm. C. C. Forsyth	Hakodate
Peacock	gunboat 1st class	750	6	1200	Lieut. P. H. St. John	Nagasaki
Phœnix	sloop	1050	6	1400	Capt. Cochrane	Tamsui
Pigmy	gunboat 1st class	750	6	1200	Lieut. Dormer	Hongkong
Pique	cruiser 2nd class	3600	8	9000	Capt. A. C. Corry	Hakodate
Plover	gunboat 1st class	755	6	1200	Lieut. Spencer V. Y. de Horsey	Singapore
Rainbow	cruiser 2nd class	3600	8	9000	Capt. V. A. Tisdall	Yokohama
Rattler	gunboat 1st class	715	6	1200	Lt.-Com. Hon. G. A. Hardinge	Yokohama
Redpole	gunboat 1st class	805	6	1200	Lieut.-Com. E. H. Grafton	Hakodate
Swift	gun-vessel 2nd class	756	2	870	Capt. R. K. McAlpine	Hongkong
Tamar	ex-transport	2047	—	—		Hongkong
Tweed	g-bt. 3rd class coast defence	363	2	200		Hongkong
Undaunted	cruiser	6500	12	8500	Capt. A. C. Clarke	Hongkong
Victor Emanuel	receiving ship	5157	14	—	Commodore S. Holland	Hongkong
Wivern	coast defenceship, armoured	2950	4	1000		Hongkong

Torpedo Boats in Reserve Nos. 9, 20, 35, 36, 37 and 38, first class; and 3 second class boats.

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Foreign Men-of-war on the China and Japan Station.

Name.	Flag and Rig.	Tons.	Guns.	H.P.	Captain.	Where at.
Admiral Korniloff	Russian cruiser	5500	16	9000	Captain Moles	Vladivostock
Admiral Nakhimoff	Russian cruiser	7781	13	8000	Captain Kasherinoff	Macao
Africa	Portuguese transport	1993	2	750	Capt. Antonio Sergio de Sousa	Vladivostock
Alacrity	Russian gunboat	810	2	730	Captain Parenego	Chefoo
Alcout	German cruiser	1640	8	2930	Captain Becker	Manila
Arcona	Spanish gunboat	508	2	600	Commander R. Cabezas	Bangkok
Argos	French gunboat	475	3	450	Commander Journet	Hakodate
Aspic	French flagship	7000	12	4500	Commander Joannet	Macao
Bayard	Portuguese gunboat	400	3	400	Lt.-Comdr. Jose dos Reis	Chefoo
Bengo	Russian sloop	950	2	1150	Captain Boisman	Kobe
Bobre	U. S. cruiser	3000	8	3700	Captain F. Wildes	Manila
Boston	Spanish cruiser	3260	8	4400	Capt. A. Martin de Oliva	Manila
Castilla	Spanish troopship	532	2	600	Lieut. A. Barrera	Yokohama
Cebu	French gunboat	495	3	600	Capt. Simon	Chefoo
Comète	German cruiser	1640	8	2900	Capt. Brussatis	Yokohama
Cormoran	French cruiser	3988	14	8500	Capt. Bernard	Vladivostock
Descartes	Russian cruiser	6000	16	7000	Captain Witthoeft	Manila
Dmitri Donskoi	Spanish cruiser	1200	4	1523	Com. E. Robion	Manila
Don Antonio de Ulloa	Spanish cruiser	1130	4	1600	Commander J. de la Concha	Hakodate
Don Juan de Austria	French cruiser	1658	8	2060	Capt. Texier	Manila
Eclaireur	Spanish gunboat	560	3	600	Lieut.-Com. F. Escudero	Manila
Elcano	Russian gunboat	600	3	3800	Capt. Serebrennikoff	
Gaidam